More Than 1,000 Delegates Expected At Woodmen's Meet

More than 1,000 delegates and members of THE AMERICAN WOODMEN from six southern and southeastern states are expected to attend the annual district meeting in Mobile, Alabama, July 3, 4 and 5.

One of the features will be the Parade on the evening of Wednesday, July 3, and following evening, on July 4, junior contestants from throughout the region will compete in the Junior Oratorical Contest. Other features on July 4 include the Supreme Commander's annual Table Banquet and the Dis-

Supreme Commander Lawrence E. Lightner of Denver, Col., will head a list of American Woodmen leaders in attendance at the meeting. They include National Junior Commander M. I. Smith-Morgan, of Denver; Supreme Watchman Ruth P. Powell of Mobile, Alabama; Regional Administrator D. W. Goodloe, Jr., of St. Louis, Missouri; and Deputy H. D. Lucas of Charlotte, N. C.

Headquarters for the meeting will be the Greater Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Mobile. Delegates will represent camps and tents in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Tennessee.

The American Woodmen, founded in 1890, is one of the pioneer legal reserve fraternal life insurance associations operating in 28 states and the District of Columbia.

District entertains the Regional District, for a "Get Acquainted social."

Some of the guests present were; Mr and Mrs W A Espy, of Texarkana, Mr and Mrs Jack Clark, Mrs Howard Daniel, Mrs Mable Brown, Mrs Claudia Joshua, Mrs A Kigh, of Denver, Colo, Mrs M J Smith Morgan, Denver, Colo. Mrs Augusta King, Houston, Mr Green, Quinan, Wharton, Texas, S W Jones, Shreveport, La. The St Louis Drum and Bugle Corps, St Louis, Mo, Jessie Pitts, Corpus Christi, Mrs Cora Lee Clark, Austin, Mrs Myrtle D Hubbard, Austin, Mrs Janie Baker, Austin, Mrs Alberta M Hurd, Austin, Mrs Louise J Lott, Austin, Mrs Bertha Worlds, Temple, Texas.

Dallas Camp Entertains Regional Dist

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Hundreds of patrons crowded the modern Center of the American Woodmen, Oakland and Carpenter streets, Friday, June 28, to attend the formal dance held for the delegates and Commanders of the American Woodmen's 16th District Session. Music was provided by the "Clouds and The Gang."

According to Howard Daniels, supervisor for the American Woodmen Camps in Texas, at the close of each session, the host of that

68 Novice Receive Grand Courts Degree In Houston Ceremonies

Summer Star 8-7-57 Houston Ty. p. 11

HOUSTON — Mrs Pinkie D Johnson Grand Worthy Conseller of Calanthe of the Jurisdiction of Texas, recently appeared in Houston in a very fine degree meeting, where sixty-eight novice received the Grand Courts Degree. The ceremony was very beautiful and impressive. It was highlighted with a parade from the Courts of Calanthe Building on Dowling to the Jerusalem Baptist Church on Tuam, where the ceremoney was held. Mrs Johnson is a woman of wide accomplishments.

Mrs Pinkie D Johnson, a graduate of A B Wiley College, M Ed Bishop College, did Graduate work in universities of Chicago and Colorado, and Denver University. Was formerly Vice-Principal and counselor of H B Pemberton Junior-Senior High School and has taught successfully for a number of years in Pemberton High School also in summer schools of Wiley and Bishop Colleges.

A staunch member of Ebenezer Methodist Church, Marshall, she served her church as Trustee, Steward, Unit Leader, Church School Teacher, Chairman of Commission on Education and Commission on Finance.

She is a Trustee of Wiley College, Worthy Conseller of Eutopia Court No 331, with a membership of more than 300, a member of Bethlehem Chater No 2, Order of Eastern Star, a member of the General Conferences of the Methodist Church since 1936. Uniting Conference since 1939. A former member of the General Boards of Education and Temperance. In the conference and District meetings of the Methodist Church. She has served as President of W S C S a member of Boards of Mission and Education and in other capacities.

She is a member of the Board of Directors of the Texas Commission on Race Relations and the Harrison County Health Center. Grand Worthy Counseller, State of Texas, Grand Court Order of Calanthe. The widow of Charles P Johnson, she resides at 1802 Grafton Street, Marshall, Texas.

MRS P D JOHNSON

BADGER CHAPTER Number Five, Order of Eastern Star, served as host to the Unity Grand Chapter Order of Eastern Star, State of Wisconsin, Prince Hall Origin during a three-day meeting at the Y. W. C. A., 740 College ave., Racine, Wis., Mayor Jack H. Humble of Racine was speaker. Mrs. Stella Stark was mistress of ceremonies. Mrs. Vanessa Douglass was elected grand chaplain and Mr. Ida Higgins was elected grand associate conductress. Mrs. Rosie Wiggins was chairman of the program, which spotlighted a 100-voice chorus and Mrs. Helen Corbett as pianist. Left to right, front: Susie Smith, secretary; Rosie Wiggins, organist; Ethel Harrell, Martha; Weldon Harrell, associate patron; Allie Fox, Elah, chaplain; Natie Stephen, Odie Hill, Edna Ross and Ella Robinson. Second row: Thelma Mooney, Electa; Opal Works, conductress; Josephine Broussard, Ester; Mattie Simpson, Ruth; Ethel Johnson, Ada. Third row: William Douglas, sentinel; Venessa Douglas, Anna Hill, associate matron; Fairlene Fields, worthy matron; Roosevelt Broussard, worthy patron; Evelyn Hullum, Marshall, Lillian Weaver, Warder.

Virginia's Order Of Eastern Stars Donates $2,200 To Polio Fund

By
ANP STAFF CORRESPONDENT

LAWRENCEVILLE, Va. — The annual convention of the grand chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star, Virginia jurisdiction, met here last week, with St. Paul's college as host. Approximately 500 delegates, visitors, and affiliated Masons from Old Dominion lodges of the Prince Hall branch, were on hand for the three-day gathering.

A $2,200 contribution to the National Foundation for Infantile paralysis brought the noted women's group total gifts in three years to the anti-polio organization to $6,200. In recognition of this generosity the foundation sent Field Director Charles Bynum here with 200 Salk vaccine shots for children and adults.

In a heart-warming demonstration of cooperation, the host college, the community, and the visiting delegates combined to protect the maximum possible number of Southside Virginians against the dreaded disease.

Give Polio 'Shots'

The college physician, Dr. Clifton F. Nelson; the head nurse at the college's Letcher Memorial hospital, Miss Rose Clark, R. N., and a group of Eastern Star registered and practical nurses administered the innoculations.

David Muckle of Portsmouth, grand worthy patron of the OES said that the order had used its "ample funds" to help combat the campaign of economic repression against Negroes in the South as a result of the effort to gain equal civil rights, including integration of public schools.

Director Bynum of the polio foundation declared that his organization, only 20 years old, had donated $193,000 to teaching clinics for Negroes. He said that of 29 million dollars allocated in those 20 years, four million dollars had been donated to Tuskegee institute and that 302 Negro physical therapuitists had been trained at a cost of $900,000.

80,000 Need Treatment

Stressing that 80,000 polio victims in this country still need help and treatment, despite the Salk vaccine program, Bynum said that over six million dollars—or 16 per cent of the total allocation for professional training—had been assigned to Negroes by the national foundation.

At the public meeting music was furnished by the Eastern Star chorus under the direction of Mrs. I. Virginia Fields of Norfolk and Mrs. Ruth Diggs of Emporia, Va.

Others on the program were the grand chaplain, Rev. W. L. Ransome of Richmond; Mrs. Mary Marks, deputy organizer of Lawrenceville; President McClenney of the host college; Mrs. Otelia Love Jackson, Charlottesville, grand secretary of the Virginia OES, and Mrs. Gladiola S. Crocker, Norfolk, grand worthy matron.

Mrs. Jackson, the order's grand secretary, advised the press that the order had contributed over $5000 to indigent persons and members of the order during the past 12 months; that the order is paying off a $500 life membership in the NAACP, and that the grand chapter and individual lodges are giving college scholarships to qualified Virginians.

Mrs. Jackson's report on finances revealed that the total receipts of the group aggregated $44,327.11 during the past fiscal year. Added to the $161,249.25 brought forward the order's total cash receipts totalled $205,576.36.

At National Convention

Elks To Honor 2 Young Fighters For Freedom

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Elks Opening 58th Convention

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Mr. Morrow will be presented to the audience by Dr. Robert H. (Bob) Johnson, Grand Exalted Ruler of the Elks. Dr. Johnson will also present the scholarships and citations to Cain and McEwen.

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DR. W. H. BREWSTER SR.
. . . he'll inspire Elks

E. FREDERIC MORROW
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2 youths to share in Elks spotlight

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Lieut. Lee Awards Scholarships

Elk's Oratorical Contest Won by California Boy

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PHILADELPHIA, Pa. — James Wheeler Franklin, a lad from Vallejo, Calif., won the ringing applause of an enthusiastic audience and captured the unanimous vote of the three judges at the Elks' annual oratorical contest here last week in the spacious auditorium of the new South Philadelphia High School. Franklin spoke on "The Constitution."

Maxine V. Baker of Sioux City, Iowa, was rated second-best judges, and third place went to Alger V. Boswell Jr. of Nashville, Tenn. Young Boswell's father is vice president of Tennessee A. and I. State University.

The contest is an annual feature of the Elks' educational department, under the expert direction of Lieut. George W. Lee of Memphis, Tenn. "This is one of the best oratorical contests we have ever conducted," commented Mr. Lee.

The Elks conduct seven regional oratorical contests, and winners of each regional contest appear in the finals at the national convention. Each regional winner receives a $1,000 scholarship plus a paid trip to the national event. The winner of the national is given an extra $50.

Also present were Bobby Cain of Clinton, Tenn., and Ernest McEwen, formerly of Alcorn College in Mississippi. Lieutenant Lee awarded $1,000 scholarships to each of these young men for the part they played in the fight for school desegregation in the South.

In the last 27 years, the Elks' educational department has awarded scholarships to 860 students, amounting to $1,500,000, according to M. Lee.

Sees 'Unfortunate' Action In Personal Use Of Lodge Funds

BY LOUIS LAUTIER

PHILADELPHIA — (NNPA) — The Big Brass of the Elks was given some sound advice Thursday by Judge John W. Lord, Jr., in Federal District Court here in dismissing the suit of William Walker against them and the Elks grand lodge which was in session here.

Walker, an ex-grand traveling auditor for the Elks, filed suit in the Federal Court here August 27 to enjoin the election of officers by the grand lodge by voice vote, to enjoin waste, mismanagement and fraud, and for the appointment of a receiver to preserve the assets of the organization.

The grand lodge filed a motion to dismiss. The principal ground advanced for dismissal was that the order was a New Jersey corporation and that a suit attacking the life of the corporation could only be brought in that state.

THREE COMPLAINANTS

There were three names on the complainant. Abie Moore of Cleveland, Ohio, did not sign the complaint and his name was scratched off. Vernon Clear, also of Cleveland, wa sthe other plaintiff.

After hearing two hours of testimony from Walker on the questions of whether be and Clear adequately represented the class of Elks whom they purported to represent in class action and whether they had exhausted their remedies within the order, Judge Lord listened to arguments of counsel, then delivered his opinion dismissing the case.

In addition to the two questions on which Walker testified, there also were the legal questions of whether the Federal District Court here had jurisdiction over the affairs of the grand lodge, a New Jersey corporation, and whether the case had been adjudicated by the decision of Judge James W. Morris in a case brought by Walker in the United States District Court for the District of Columbia against the defendants.

While the suit was pending, the grand lodge proceeded to reelect some of the officers who were defendants in the case, although Judge Lord had issued a rule for the grand lodge and its top officers to show cause why they should not be enjoined from electing officers by voice vote.

He told Raymond Pace Alexander, a Philadelphia lawyer representing the Elks, that he was rather surprised that the grand lodge went ahead and had elections on August 28, the day before the hearing.

"When were copies of the complaint served upon members of the grand lodge?" Judge Lord asked.

"During the parade Tuesday," Mr. Alexander replied.

"When were you first given copies of the complaint?" Judge Alexander asked.

"After the parade Tuesday, about 5 o'clock," replied Perry W. Howard, grand legal adviser of the Elks.

"When was the election scheduled?" asked Judge Lord.

"Wednesday, no particular hour, except under the general procedure that after minutes of the previous meeting are read, certain reports are made."

UNDER 1955 CONSTITUTION

Mr. Howard explained that the grand lodge then heard officers reports and was advised not to hold the election under the 1954 constitution but to do so under the 1953 constitution.

Mr. Walker charged in his complaint that the provision in the 1953 constitution requiring elections to be by secret ballot had been changed to provide for elections by voice vote, without any proposition for amending the constitution never having come before the grand lodge.

Mr. Howard told Judge Lord that the grand lodge by a two-thirds vote suspended the rules and elected by acclamation.

He disavowed any intention of disobeying the court.

"In other words, you gave them a legal opinion that there would be no violation if they did not proceed in the manner stated in the complaint but under the old law?" Judge Lord asked.

"Yes, sir," replied Mr. Howard. "I made it plain to them that we wanted to do nothing that even seemed to be contrary to the order of this court."

"Very, well, you have explained that to my satisfaction," said Judge Lord.

REELECTED BY ACCLAIMATION

The officers reelected by acclamation after a suspension of the rules were: William C. Hueston, grand secretary; Perry B. Jackson, Cleveland, grand treasurer; Hobson R. Reynolds, philadelphia, grand director of civil liberties; George W. Lee, Memphis, Tenn., grand commissioner of education.

All of them, plus Charles P. McClane, Steelton, Pa., were named as defendants in the suit, and all of them, except Judge Jackson, who was ill, were in court and heard Judge Lord say it would be "unfortunate" if the grand lodge officers changed the benevolent purposes of the order or used the organization and its funds for their own personal use.

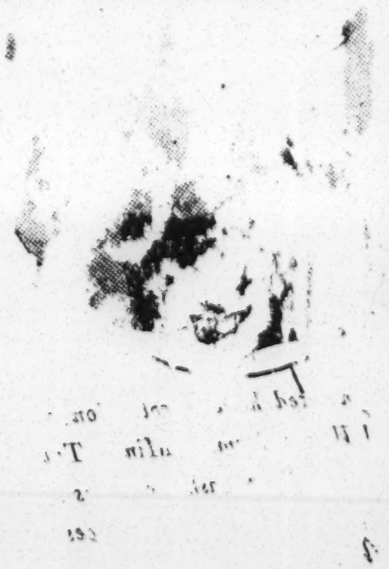
When the court reconvened at 2 o'clock, after lunch, there was a bench conference during which Judge Lord was overheard to ask if there was anything i nthe by-laws about officers perpetuating themselves in office and how long they can be elected and reelected.

He was told that they may serve indefinitely.

Walker was recalled to the witness chair by Mr. Alexander and testimony was developed that the grand temple, the women's auxiliary, would also be affected by a receivership, and that there were more "daughter Elks" than "brother Elks." The grand temple has over 62,000 members.

Stating his reasons for granting the motion of the grand lodge to dismiss the suit, Judge Lord said that in studying the opinion of Judge Morris in the District case, he felt it was well reasoned and he should adopt it as one of his reasons for dismissing the case.

His second reason was that he did not feel that the plantiffs adequately represented the class since it was a class action.



Tell It To Old Grandma

Advertiser Sun. 8-18-57 P. 2-B

Your name and address must be given on letter ★ But upon request, name will often be withheld at the Editor's discretion ★ We reserve the right to shorten letters ★ No poetry, please ★ Repeat: No letter will be printed unless Editor knows who wrote it.

Montgomery, Ala.

The Elks And Racial Identity

EDITOR, THE ADVERTISER—The editorial, "The Two Antlers of Elks," published in your newspaper Aug. 9, is a very fruitful topic for discussion.

I had been informed by the members of the Improved Benevolent Protective Order of Elks of the World in Montgomery, where they regard your newspaper with high respect, pointing out of course, that while they differ in many instances with your editorial policy that they respect your open approach to the subjects of current interest.

For this reason I feel that it becomes my solemn duty to point out to you that while I appreciate your views pertaining to the "National Negro Elks" that a further explanation of this organization should be sent. Therefore, I wish to tell you that the other Elks (non Negro) as assumed in your editorial is an organization which throughout its entire history has maintained a policy of complete segregation due to the fact that its membership is limited to Caucasian only.

If there is any fraternal organization which has overcome the barriers of segregation it is the Improved Benevolent Protective Order of Elks of the World. For proof of this fact I am pleased to inform you that the order has two local lodges whose entire membership are Chinese. Also, outside of the United States the Improved Benevolent Protective Order of Elks of the World is organized.

Presently there are 58 students in colleges under $1,000 scholarships of which two are white students.

So you see Mr. Editor as the Grand Exalted Ruler of the Improved Benevolent Protective Order of Elks of the World the only thing which I am trying to perpetuate is unity among people throughout the entire world and as a matter of fact I think that you will find in your section of the country that a great many of our local lodges enjoy the highest prestige from Southern people.

It has been our policy in the 57 years of existence to respect men of any racial identity although we may oppose the policies which they represent. We do not condemn any individual because of racial identity. Our mission has been, and always will be to keep the peace; for the United States, like Russia, is in more danger from suppression than from violence; because, in the end suppression leads to violence.

Considering your limited knowledge of the Improved Benevolent Protective Order of the Elks of the World, I respect your editorial. I feel that in giving you this information it will enable you in the future to screen your editorials by the manner in which you have done in the other opinions expressed on the editorial page of that date.

ROBERT H. JOHNSON,
Grand Exalted Ruler I.B.P.O.E. of W.
Philadelphia, Pa.

¶ *The writer of the above letter heads the Negro Elks.—Ed.*

"We're Not Keeping Bias"

Journal & Guide Norfolk, Va. Sat. 8-31-57

Elkdom Tells The World

Special to Journal and Guide

PHILADELPHIA, Pa. — On the eve of the national convention here, Elks Grand Exalted Ruler Dr. Robert H. Johnson this week scored an Alabama daily paper for editorially describing the Elks as an organization which was perpetuating segregation.

Dr. Johnson took opposition to an editorial in the Montgomery (Ala.) Advertiser under the caption "The Two Antlers of Elks". The newspaper said that Dr. Johnson has denounced "moderation of the civil rights bill" but was serving as exalted ruler of a segregated Order of Elks.

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IN A LETTER released to this newspaper, Dr. Johnson declared that his Order was the only fraternal organization which has broken down the barriers of segregation. In his letter to Grover C. Hall Jr., editor-in-chief of The Montgomery Advertiser, Dr. Johnson asserted that the IBPOEW was organized outside of the United States, and under its scholarship program was educating two white students.

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THE ADVERTISER'S editorial said:

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'The Senate action is proof of a political conspiracy between some senators to give the minorities of the United States another paper-rights-deal. It will be my mission to see to it that every Elk votes against all members of the Senate who voted for the amendment.'

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The roster of lodges outside of the United States, lists 5 lodges in Canada; 4 lodges in the Canal Zone; 3 lodges in Alaska; 7 lodges in the Bahamas; 2 lodges in Cuba; 1 lodge in Spanish Honduras, C. A.; 7 lodges in Panama, and 4 lodges in Jamaica, B. W. I.

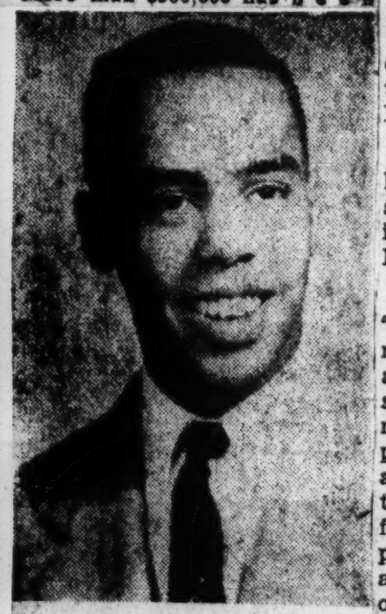
Elk Orators In Chicago Talkfest

Defender Chicago, Ill. Sat. 7-20-57

Spencer Jourdain of the Evanston Township High school will represent Illinois and Wisconsin in the Elks regional scholarship, oratorical contest July 21 at Metropolitan Community church.

This will be the first regional competition held in Chicago since 1914. Youngsters from Ohio, Indiana, Michigan and Kentucky will also appear in the regional contest.

More than $900,000 has been awarded in $1,000 scholarships since 1925 when this program began. There are always at least 50 Elk scholars in schools of their choice throughout the country.



SPENCER JOURDAIN

Scholarships for meritorious service have also been awarded by the Elks. All the original plaintiffs in the desegregation case which was successful in the Supreme Court received educational grants of $1,000 as did Another

Elks Education Department Plans Freedom Scholarship

Black Dispatch Oklahoma City, Okla. 7-13-57

MEMPHIS, Tenn.—The educational department of the Grand Elks Lodge has planned to launch a $100,000 scholarship drive, christened "Crusader's Program for Freedom," announced Lt. George W. Lee of Memphis, grand commissioner of education for the lodge. Purpose of the drive is to provide scholarships to young students who "break the jim crow barrier in colleges and universities" which in the past denied enrollment to Negroes because of their racial identity, explained Lee.

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He went on to reveal that the lodge has already given two scholships to two young men, identified as Ernest McEwen and Bobby Cain.

Plans for soliciting the aid of "big names in business, industry, music and the theatre, both white and Negro, to lead out in this crusade," said the education commissioner. "We will also ask people of every rank and creed who are willing to sacrifice in time and treasure to extend freedom to new frontiers," said Lee. "This is a program in which individuals who are non-Elks can help the couse of freedom by participating in the campaign."

Over the years the Elks Lodge has granted scholarships to a number of students. Currently the lodge has 53 students on its 1957 roll.

Lt. Lee said "evidence of the success of the Elks scholarship program is indicated by statements from the mother of one of the five students who were plaintiffs in the Supreme Court case against segregation, who were granted scholarships. And from the dean of Georgetown university where the first white winner of the Elks national contest is a student on an Elks scholarship.

Mother of the winner in the first case, Mrs. Sarah F. Bolling, upon Bolling, had been granted a scholarship said in a letter to Grand Commissioner Lee, "I have not learning that her son, Spottswood found words to express my thanks to the Grand United Order of Elks. I shall always cherish this one order. I shall pray for God's greatest blessings upon the Elks of the world. I believe that my son has taken a new look in life to see that someone else cares for him besides his mother."

After William S. Lisenmyer, first white winner of a national Elks scholarship, had enrolled at Georgetown university, Father Joseph A. Sellinger, S. J., associate dean, said in a letter to Lt. Lee, "Once against we here at Georgetown would like to express our sincere gratitude to you for the financial assistance which you are extending to this young man. His industry and seriousness of mind indicates how clearly he appreciates what you are doing for him."

53 In College Can Thank Elks

Defender Chicago, Ill. Sat. 7-27-57

Fifty-three college students are now gaining a higher education because of the education program of the Elks.

This happy fact is made more significant with the impending oratorical contest scheduled for Metropolitan Community church, July 21 at 4 p.m. As a result of this competition, the ranks of Elk scholars will be swelled as another $1,000 grant is made.

The contest will pit local winners against each other in a try for the regional title. States involved include Wisconsin, Illinois, Ohio, Indiana, Michigan and Kentucky.

Spencer Jourdain of the Evanston Township High school will represent Wisconsin and Illinois Sunday.

George W. Lee of Memphis succeeded Judge W. C. Hueston as grand commissioner of education. Among other leaders in the program are Dr. Frederick D. Moore, special assistant to the grand commissioner; Fred McQuan, chairman ex-officio of Illinois lodges and Mrs. Katye Steele, state director of education.

Lodges in Chicago include Greater Fort Dearborn, Greater Chicago, Great Lakes, Edward A. Wright and Robert S. Abbott in Chicago Heights.

Elks' contest Aids American Wins Region I

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NEW HAVEN, Conn. — Miss Catherine Respass, 17, of Philadelphia last Sunday won the Region 1 Elks oratorical contest and a $1,000 scholarship, plus a chance at the national title.

The 17-year-old speaker was picked over four other youths representing Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Jersey and New York at the 31st annual oratory contest held at Varick AMEZ Church.

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S. Calvin Johnson, 15, of Buffalo, N.Y., placed second; Donald Jones, 18, Stamford, third; Stanley Smith, 16, Asbury Park, N.J., fourth; and Reginald Mills, 15, of Boston, fifth.

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MISS RESPASS will represent Region 1 in the national oratorical contest at the national Elks convention in her hometown of Philadelphia next month. Joint hosts were East Rock Lodge 141 and Pochaontas Temple 55.

Contest judges were Martha Clarke of Philadelphia, Leon DeCass of Brooklyn, Charles R. Twyman Jr. of New Haven and Percey E. Greene, retired Corona, L.I., teacher, who headed the list of judges.

Mrs. Martha Collier, prominent in Philadelphia Elks circles, was sponsor of the winner. Incidentally, she is general chairman of a joint educational committee for Keystone Temple 448.

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SPONSORS OF other contestants were James R. Garrett of Buffalo, Mrs. Margaret Solomon, Stamford, Mrs. Susie A. Pleasant, Asbury Park and Mrs. Nellie M. Ricker of Boston.

Mrs. Laura Belle McCoy, former 19th Ward Alderman, welcomed some 100 visiting Elks to the city. Other welcome speakers were Hubert C. Fernanders, Mrs. Cecila Austin, Sylvester W. Mark and Leory Daniels.

Among persons introduced to the audiences was Mrs. Delores Parker DeForrester of New Haven, a teacher at nearby Milford. She won the 1946 national Elks oratorical title.

"We're Not Keeping Bias" Elkdom Tells The World

Special to Journal and Guide

PHILADELPHIA, Pa. — On the eve of the national convention here, Elks Grand Exalted Ruler Dr. Robert H. Johnson this week scored an Alabama daily paper for editorially describing the Elks as an organization which was perpetuating segregation.

Dr. Johnson took opposition to an editorial in the Montgomery (Ala.) Advertiser under the caption "The Two Antlers of Elks". The newspaper said that Dr. Johnson has denounced "moderation of the civil rights bill" but was serving as exalted ruler of a segregated Order of Elks.

IN A LETTER released to this newspaper, Dr. Johnson declared that his Order was the only fraternal organization which has broken down the barriers of segregation. In his letter to Grover C. Hall Jr., editor-in-chief of The Montgomery Advertiser, Dr. Johnson asserted that the IBPOEW was organized outside of the United States, and under its scholarship program was educating two white students.

ELKS 'GRAND' JOHNSON
States Lodges' Stand

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THE ADVERTISER'S editorial said:

"Dr. Robert H. Johnson of Philadelphia, grand exalted ruler of the national Negro Elks organization, has denounced the moderating of the civil rights bill, which see:

'The Senate action is proof of a political conspiracy between some senators to give the minorities of the United States another paper-rights-deal. It will be my mission to see to it that every Elk votes against all members of the Senate who voted for the amendment.'

"That statement is interesting because it comes from a man who perpetuates segregation of Elks by serving as exalted ruler of the Negro Elks."

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DR. JOHNSON'S letter to the Advertiser's editor said in part:

"I had been informed by the members of the Improved Benevolent Protective Order of Elks in Montgomery, Ala., where they regard your newspaper with high respect, pointing out of course, that while they differ in many instances with your editorial policy, that they respect your open approach to the subjects of current interest.

"FOR THIS reason, I feel that it becomes my solemn duty to point out to you that while I appreciate your views pertaining to the "National Negro Elks" that a further explanation of this organization should be sent. Therefore, I wish to tell you that the other Elks (non Negro) as assumed in your editorial is an organization which throughout its entire history has maintained a policy of complete segregation due to the fact that its membership is limited to Caucasians only.

"If there is any fraternal organization which has overcome the barriers of segregation it is the Improved Benevolent Protective Order of Elks of the World. For proof of this fact I am pleased to inform you that the Order has two local lodges whose entire memberships are Chinese. Also, outside of the United States the Improved Benevolent Protective Order of Elks of the World, is organized.

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"PRESENTLY, there are 58 students in colleges under $1,000 scholarships of which two (2) are white students.

"So you see Mr. Hall, as Grand Exalted Ruler of the Improved Benevolent Protective Order of Elks of the World, the only thing which I am trying to perpetuate is unity among people throughout the entire world and as a matter of fact I think that you will find in your section of the country that a great many of our local lodges enjoy the highest prestige from southern people."

The roster of lodges outside of the United States, lists 5 lodges in Canada; 4 lodges in the Canal Zone; 3 lodges in Alaska; 7 lodges in the Bahamas; 2 lodges in Cuba; 1 lodge in Spanish Honduras, C. A.; 7 lodges in Panama, and 4 lodges in Jamaica, B. W. I.

NEGRO ELKS TO HEAR MEMPHIS MINISTER

Dr. W. H. Brewster Will Speak Sunday

EDITOR TO GET CITATION

Dr. W. Herbert Brewster Sr., Memphis Negro minister, will give the baccalaureate address Sunday night at an Elks' 58th national Grand Lodge convention in Philadelphia.

Lt. George W. Lee, grand commissioner of education for the organization, said yesterday, "This is one of the few times we've had a Southerner in that spot."

Pastor Of Two Churches

Dr. Brewster is pastor of Pilgrim and East Trigg Avenue Baptist churches.

About 10,000 delegates are expected for the six-day convention, Lieutenant Lee said.

Citations will be awarded Sunday night to Guy L. Smith, editor of the Knoxville Journal and State Republican Executive Committee chairman, who will not be present, and to Dr. Omer Carmichael, superintendent of schools in Louisville, Ky. Dr. Carmichael will discuss the integration of schools in his city.

Bobby Cain of Clinton, Tenn., first Negro graduate of the desegregated high school there, and Ernest McEwen of Oxford, Miss., a leader in a strike last spring at Alcorn A&M College, will be cited at the Sunday night services.

Youths To Get Grants

Each of the youths also will receive a $1,000 scholarship at the close of an oratorical contest Monday. Cain, one of seven children, plans to enter A&I State University in Nashville. McEwen, who is working in Detroit this summer, intends to use his scholarship at the University of Michigan.

They also will ride in the convention parade Tuesday.

The Elks' education department, directed by Lieutenant Lee, has raised more than a million dollars and has awarded 853 scholarships to needy high school seniors in the past 27 years. There were 51 scholarships given this year.

The Memphian is trying to raise an additional $100.000 from all over the nation to aid students "if they suffer from a lack of opportunity or the blight of poverty."

Whether the 42-piece Booker T. Washington High School band will attend the convention depends on the outcome of a show which ended early this morning at the Flamingo Room at 140 Hernando.

HOPE FOR EQUAL RIGHTS IS TOLD

Sen. Martin Addresses Negro Elks Convention

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 27 (AP) —Sen. Martin (R-Pa.) told a civil liberties meeting of a national convention of Negro Elks that brotherhood, righteousness, tolerance and good will cannot be legislated "into the hearts of men."

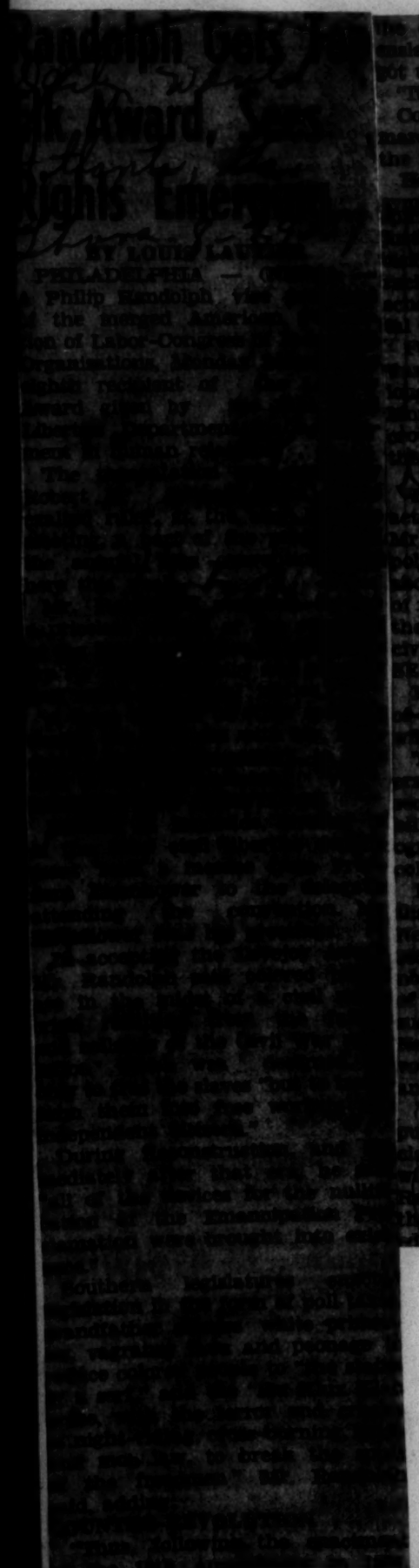
Martin addressed a gathering of delegates to the grand lodge convention, Improved Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the World.

Outlining the broad general purposes of true civil rights legislation, he said it should wipe out political inequalities based on race, establish one class of citizenship, equal rights and obligations for all citizens, educational and economic opportunities shared equally by all, and free exercise of the ballot.

Then, turning from the legal to the moral aspects of the issue, he said these ideals cannot be legislated into the hearts of men.

"Brotherhood springs from the heart. It is a quality that ennobles the spirit. It does not thrive under compulsion but flourishes where free men meet on common ground, equal in prestige and equal in dignity and stand together for the common good," he said.

"Let us hope and pray that our land may be cleansed of bitterness, hate and prejudice. Then, we can stand together in fellowship and understanding, respecting the rights of each other and reaching upward for the finer things of life that bring peace, harmony and friendship," he concluded.



Randolph Gets Spingarn Award, Says Labor Helps Civil Rights Effort

BY LOUIS LAUTIER

PHILADELPHIA — A. Philip Randolph, vice president of the merged American Federation of Labor-Congress of Industrial Organizations, labor leader and civil rights activist, recipient of the Spingarn award given by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, last night told the 48th annual convention of the NAACP that the labor movement is the "most powerful ally" of the Negro in the struggle for equality.

Randolph received the award for his leadership in the fight for fair employment practices legislation and for his role in the March on Washington movement of 1941 which led to the establishment of the President's Committee on Fair Employment Practice.

Randolph declared that the labor movement has been in the forefront of the struggle for civil rights legislation and that it has been responsible for the passage of most of the civil rights laws on the statute books.

He said

To Fight School Race Barriers

MEMPHIS — The first two scholarships in the Elks department of Education's $100,000 scholarship program have been awarded.

Recipients are Ernest McBwen and Bobby Cain.

Scholarships will go to those students who break down the color line in colleges and universities, George W. Lee, commissioner of education of the Elks, said.

This is a program in which individuals who are non-Elks who want to help the cause of freedom can participate, Lee said.

"It is our plan to raise $100,000 in scholarships for freedom," he said. "We are calling on our big names in business, industry, music and the theatre to lend a hand in this crusade."

Lee expects the drive to be interracial.

The Elks already have a scholarship program underway. In all 53 students are in college under the program today.

Included among them are a former plaintiff in a Supreme Court school segregation case and a white student who won an Elk contest.

The former plaintiff is Spottswood Bolling and the white student is William S. Lisenmeyer.

Reelected President Of Elks

Delegates attending the Ohio Association of Elks which convened in Toledo, Ohio, last week suspended rules and unanimousy re-elected State President Fred Grant, Jr. for another term after hearing his impressively presented report.

Mr. Grant, a Second Ward Hamilton citizen, is again being urged by Hamilton citizens to seek a seat in City Council in November. He missed only by a hair two years ago. A strong Grant-for-Council Committee is already being formed.

Two strong resolutions supporting public housing and civil rights, respectively were sent to the Ohio Legislature and the U.S. Congress by the estimated 800 representatives to this 36th annual session.

They urged:

(1) Passage of State House Bill No. 716, whch provides for the appropriation of governmental funds for any public housing; and

(2) Passage by the U.S. Congress of President Eisenhower's program for Civil Rights

OTHERS

Other top officers elected, or re-elected were: C. D. Sinkford, Columbus, 1st Vice President; Trenton Bell, Troy, 2nd Vice President; Wilbur Hall, Cleveland, 3rd Vice President; Carl A. Hunt, Cleveland, Recording Secretary; Bertram C. Brewer, Cleveland, Segasta Wilson, Middletown, Harvey Alston, Columbus, Trustees.

Jesse D. Williams, Cincinnati, Financial Treas.; Dr. R. F. Pulley, Toledo, Treasurer; C. C. West, Cincinnati, State Auditor; John O. Hally, Cleveland, Director of Public Relations; John H. Garner, Director of Bathing Beauty Contestants; and Fred D. French, Cleveland, Grand Tyler.

The sum of Eleven Hundred dollar ($1100) was raised at this four day convention to underwrite expenses for a worthy Boy Scout to the World Jamboree in England.

State President Grant flew to Cleveland Saturday to make the presentation.

Highlighting Saturday's meeting was the election of officers, Elk's ball, bathing beauty contest and selection of the next city for the state association.

Presiding over the Daughter's election was Grand Daughter Ruler Nettie Carter Jackson. Annabell Hunter was reelected state president. Heading the Bill's election was Grand Traveling Inspector Earnest M. Thomas. M. H. Hadnot was reelected state president.

Others elected were Felix Lister, Wichita Falls, first vice president; H. B. Johnson, San Antonio, second vice president; Dr. J. P. Hagen, Houston, third vice president; Hubert Lindsey, Wichita Falls, tiler; Ivory Foster, Wichita Falls, esquire; Paul Cotton, Houston, inner guard; F. D. Jones, Dallas, secretary; J. E. Coleman, Galveston, treasurer; I. C. Collins, San Antonio; W. Neil, Dallas and J. D. Sanders, Amarillo, trustee.

To Meet In Dallas

Dallas was selected by the group for the next state association. Trinity Lodge 480 with William Neil exalted ruler and F. D. Jones, treasurer, came to the state meeting with invitations from leading citizens, organizations and businesses of Dallas.

The Elk's ball and popularity contest were successful affairs. Nearly 1,000 persons attended both events. Miss Mary Elizabeth Watson, Houston, was declared winner of the popularity contest. Runners-up were Miss Jesse Little John, San Antonio; and Miss Lula Berry of Galveston.

Acting as host and hostess for the association was Secutiry Lodge No. 624, Manual Dibbles and E. R. Tulip Tempel, No. 561, Jessie Gardner, daughter ruler.

Elks of The Lone Star State End 32nd Confab

PORT ARTHUR, Tex.— Worship services at the St. John Baptist church closed the 32nd annual convention of the Improved Benevolent Protective Order of the Elks of the World. Rev. S. Shephard, pastor, was in charge of the worship services.

The convention got underway Friday morning with Elks from all parts of Texas registering. A joint session was held and the key to the city presented to the delegates by the Mayor. Several welcome addresses were heard.

Following the joint session the Bills and Daughters adjourned to their respective meeting places and proceeded with business. Another joint session was held Monday afternoon at 4 o Pattye Steele Turner, assistant grand directress of education, was in charge. Sitting in was Grand Daughter Ruler Nettie Carter Jackon of Staton Island, N.Y.

Another high leader prese the session was Grand Insp Ernest M. Thomas of New Orle representing the grand exaul ruler.

All business for Bills was presided over by State President M. H. Hadnott. Presiding over the Daughters was State President Dtr. Annabelle Hunter.

Oratorical Contest Held

The day ended with the annual oratorical contest. Winner of the contest was Miss Jo Ann Lewis, daughter of Mrs. Ira E. Lewis, Beaumont. A graduate of Charleston Pollard high in Beaumont Miss Lewis spoke on the subject, "Constitution and Citizenship."

Other participants in the contest were Lenneta Doyl, Dallas; Algre Ray, San Antonio and Marlene Norman, of Port Arthur, all runners-up, Henery Francis, state director of education, supervised the contest.

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PRAISED BY TOP ELKS.—Miss Jo Ann Lewis, of Beaumont, Texas, winner of the state Elks' contest in Texas, receives congratulations from Grand Daughter Ruler Nettie Carter Jackson, Staton Island, N. Y. Other leaders shown are Assistant Grand Director of Education, Betty Steel Turner; State President M. T. Hadnot and State President Daughter Annabella Hunter. The oratorical contest was held during the Texas State Association of the IBPOE of W at Port Arthur.

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OMPETITIVE SPEAKERS.—Texas high school students who participated in the Elks' oratorical contest are shown here. Shown from left are Marlene Norman of Port Arthur; Algre Ray, San Antonio; Lenetta Doyl, Dallas and Jo Ann Lewis, Beaumont, winner. Miss Lewis spoke on the subject, "Constitution and Citizenship." The contest was held in June at Port Arthur during the state association of the IBPOE of W.

No Split in Elks

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Pittsburgh, Pa.

New Organization Will Fight Bias

By BOB QUEEN
(Philadelphia Courier Editor)

PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—A meeting originally slated as "Operation Recapture," and publicized as a move to split the Elks' Grand Lodge, took on a new aspect during a session July 4 in the hallowed rooms of Independence Hall when Chairman Trezzvant Anderson announced that the new organization had "bigger things to do."

Anderson, who pointedly stated that he is "not an Elk" and hasn't been one since June, 1956, said that the men, who came from distant points, had disposed of any idea of combating the Elks' Grand Lodge and were dedicated to take up the plight of disfranchised Negroes in the South and create an organization to coordinate Negro leadership and action.

THE NEW organization bears the title of "National Fraternal, Civic and Religious Council."

Several of the delegates present identified themselves as Elks and officers of various lodges. Others had never been Elks. The decision on the new name was unanimous after several other names had been discussed.

The NFCRC purpose was set forth: "To unite all civic, fraternal and religious organizations for benevolent and charitable purposes and for mutual improvement on national, state and local levels." Councils will be formed on "national, regional and local levels to coordinate and formulate programs of action."

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THE NFCRC also stated: "It is not the intent or purpose of this organization to supplant or oppose any other organization with a similar program, but rather to coordinate on a grass-roots level leadership to help solve the problems directly affecting minority groups."

Big project of NFCRC will be a legislative program with a full-time paid lobbyist in Washington, D. C., working on legislation affecting minority groups.

Signers of the original charter being taken out in Washington are Mr. Anderson, Atty. Christopher F. Edley, Philadelphia, secretary; Dr. Edward A. McDowell, Philadelphia, budget chairman; George G. Fleming, Washington; Dr. Joseph A. Randall, Harrisburg, legislative chairman, and William Doe, Brooklyn. Atty. Henry L. Johnson Jr., Washington, is general counsel.

Elks To Study Education For Adult Matter

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Norfolk, Va.

PHILADELPHIA — The Department of Education of the IBPOE of W under the leadership of the Grand Commissioner of Education, George W. Lee, of Memphis, Tenn., has approved plans for its Adult Education Division to launch a nation-wide comprehensive program in Adult Education at the annual session of the Grand Lodge to be held in Philadelphia Aug. 24-28.

Plans for conducting the program will be introduced at a planning institute to be held Saturday, Aug. 24 from 12 to 3 at the business session of the Educational Department. A panel of eight Elks and Daughter Elks, with special training, skills and experience in the field of education will discuss the topic "How the Grand Lodge of Elks can Effectively Promote a National Program of Adult Education."

Grand Commissioner of Education Lee will serve as moderator. Dr. G. W. C. Brown, assistant Grand Commissioner of Education in charge of the Order's Division of Adult Education will serve as analyst for the discussion, presenting the panel members with a brief outline of the national picture of the Negroes need for adult education. Immediately thereafter, panelists will engage in a thorough discussion of the topic.

Elks Slate 58th Annual Convention

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Chicago, Ill.

PHILADELPHIA — (ANP) — Lieut. George W. Lee, of Memphis, will be here to help open the 58th National Grand Lodge Convention of IBPOE of W.

Lieutenant Lee, who is grand commissioner of education for the Elks, will be in charge of the two opening programs—the baccalaureate services on Sunday night, Aug. 25, and the oratorical contest on Monday night, Aug. 26.

50 SCHOLARSHIPS

The Education Department is one of the strongest sections of the Elks Grand Lodge and to date has awarded more than 50 scholarships to deserving high school seniors.

Many recipients of these awards will be present for the baccalaureate service which will be addressed by the Rev. W. H. T. Brewster, jr., of this city. Plaques will be awarded to Guy L. Smith, editor of the Knoxville, Tenn., Journal and to Dr. Omah Carmichael superintendent of schools in Louisville, Ky.

FREDERIC MORROW TO SPEAK

An address by Frederic Morrow, White House aide, will feature the oratorical contest. Seven high school graduates, winners of the seven regional oratorical contests conducted by Lieutenant Lee, will vie for top national honors.

Another highlight of the oratorical contest will be the appearance of Bobby Cain, first Negro graduate of the desegregated high school in Clinton, Tenn., and Ernest McEwen who spearheaded a student protest strike at Alcorn college in Mississippi against an instructor who disagreed with the NAACP's drive to end segregation in schools. Both Cain and McEwen will receive citations and $1,000 scholarships.

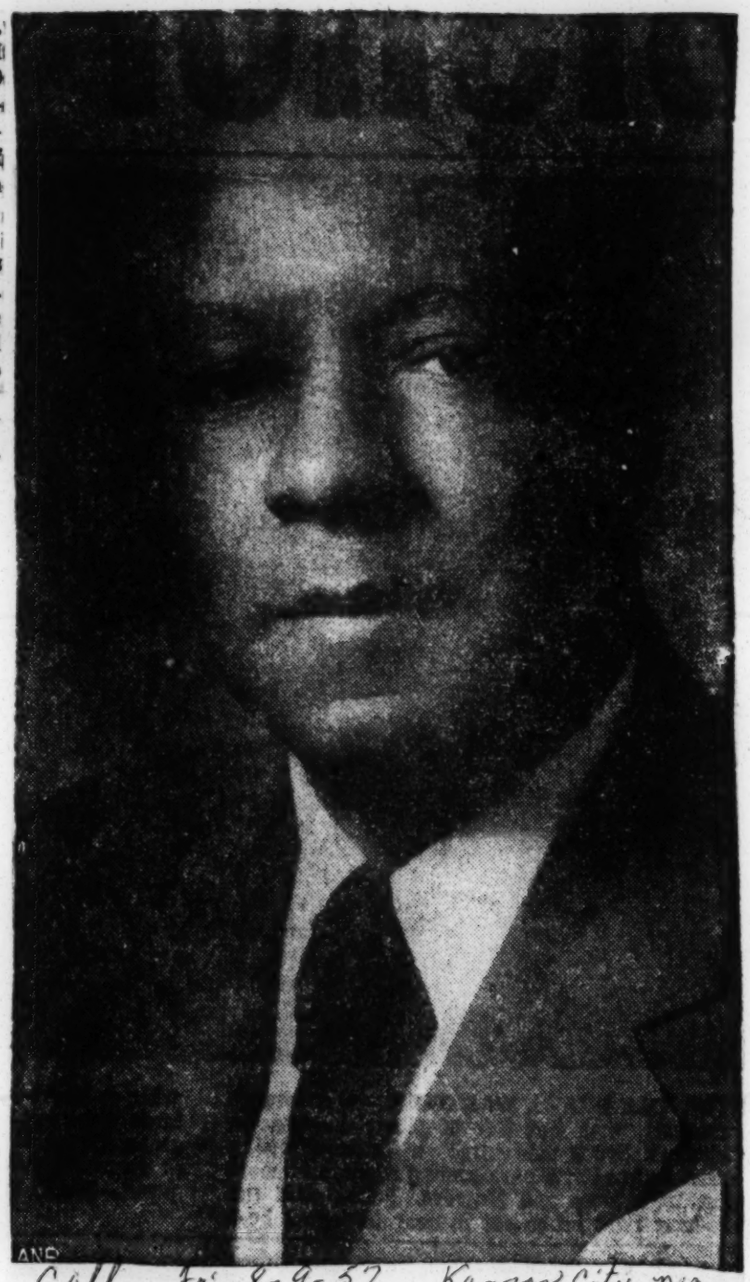
It is believed that at least one of the young oratorical contestants is white. Mr. Morrow, who is to speak at the oratorical contest, unofficial ambassador for the Elks Department of Education to the was recent Ghana celebration.

Lieutenant Lee pointed out that he is making an effort to engage the interracial choir that appeared at the Prayer Pilgrimage in Washington, D. C. If he is successful in obtaining the choral group, the singers will appear at both affairs on Aug. 2526.

STARTED 27 YEARS AGO

The Elks scholarship program was organized over 27 years ago, and since that time the Grand Lodge has invested over $1,000,000 in both Negro and white youngsters who found it almost impossible to attend college. Most of the scholarships are obtained from dues paid by the national membership.

A new phase of the program has been introduced by Lieutenant Lee. He has launched a nation - wide campaign to raise an additional $1,000,000 to aid youngsters who are willing to break jim crow barriers now existing in many southern colleges and universities.



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TO RECEIVE ELKS AWARD. — A. Philip Randolph, president of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters and a vice president of the AFL-CIO, will be presented the Lovejoy award on Monday, August 26, when the grand lodge of the Elks meets in Philadelphia.—ANP Photo.

Elks Will Honor Students Who Led School Bias Fight

PHILADELPHIA — Two young men who were skyrocketed into the national limelight this year — Bobby Cain of Clinton, Tenn., and Ernest McEwen of Mississippi — will share the spotlight at opening features of the Elks' 58th National Grand Lodge Convention meeting here Aug. 25-30 in the new South Philadelphia high school.

Cain, first Negro graduate of the desegregated high school in Clinton, and McEwen, who spearheaded a civil rights protest strike at battle-scarred Alcorn college in Mississippi, will appear at baccalaureate services scheduled for Sunday evening, Aug. 25, and at the national oratorical contest the following night, Aug. 26.

Each of the young men will receive a citation and a $1,000 scholarship at the close of the oratorical contest which will feature winners at seven regional contests conducted by the Elks.

Both, the baccalaureate services and oratorical contest, will be under the direction of the Elks' education department, headed by George W. Lee of Memphis.

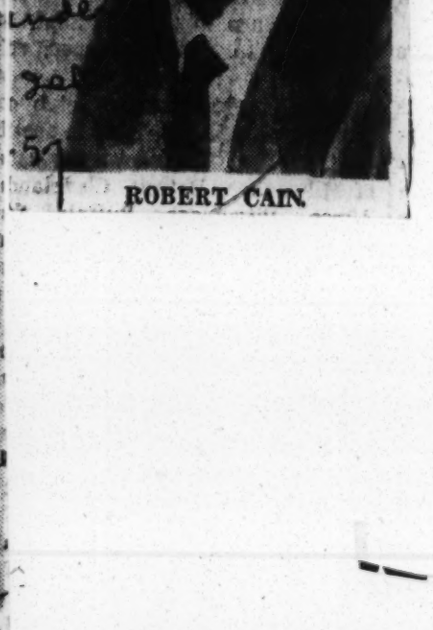
The education department, long recognized as one of the strongest assets of the Grand Lodge, is attracting more attention than ever this year.

Featured speaker for the baccalaureate services will be the noted Dr. W. Herbert Brewster sr., of Memphis, outstanding minister, song writer, poet, playwright and civic leader.

Cain and McEwen will be present at this program to greet winners of Elk oratorical contests conducted in past years.

Citations will be awarded to Guy L. Smith, editor of the Knoxville (Tenn.) Journal, who will not be able to attend the affair, and to Dr. Omah Carmichael, superintendent of schools in Louisville, Ky. Dr. Carmichael will tell of his successful campaign to desegregate schools in his city.

The oratorical contest on Aug. 26, which is sure to attract an overflow crowd, will be featured by an address by Frederic Morrow, White House aide. Cain and McEwen will speak at this event, both telling of their experiences



ERNEST McEWEN

in the fight for school desegregation.

Cain and McEwen will ride in the Elks' colorful parade through the streets of Philadelphia on Tuesday, Aug. 27.

Under the direction of Lee, the Elks' education department has awarded 53 scholarships to deserving high school seniors since its beginning 27 years ago.

Lee, at present, is attempting to raise an additional $100,000 to aid students who are willing to help break jim crow barriers in the South.

ROBERT CAIN

Elks Suit Dismissed

A federal judge in Washington has declined to hear charges of "waste, mismanagement and fraud" against the Grand Lodge of the Independent, Benevolent, Protective Order of Elks of the World or to place the order in the hands of receivers.

William (Sarge) Walker was plaintiff. Officers of the Elks including Grand Exalted Ruler Robert J. Johnson and Grand Secretary William C. Hueston, Grand Treasurer Perry B Jackson, Hobson Reynolds, Charles McClane and George Lee were defendants.

Judge James W. Morris in District Court dismissed the Walker complaint for two reasons:

1. Walker had filed his complaint in the District of Columbia where Elks are locally incorporated. The Elks' parent corporation is in New Jersey. He was in the wrong state if he wanted the court to grant receivership.

2. Mr. Walker said his action was a "class suit" and the receivership he asked was for the benefit of himself and other Elks.

Judge Morris found that Mr. Walker represented no one but himself since no other Elk had joined him in making the complaint. Therefore Mr. Walker's suit was not a "class" one.

The court did not pass upon the charges of "waste, fraud and mismanagement which," said Judge Morris, "for the purposes of this motion must be considered true."

Outcome of this case is not a vindication of anyone except the expert Elk legal attorneys headed by Perry W. Howard Sr.

By inference, what Judge Morris told Mr. Walker is this:

If you want this case heard on its merits, you must file your complaint in New Jersey courts and you must be joined by a number of other dissatisfied members of the Elks lodge.

Correctly suggesting the proper remedy, the court said, "If there be a substantial part of the membership desiring to accomplish corrections, they can be achieved by Elk members and lodges through processes provided by the Elk constitution and by-laws.

Elks Initiate 1957 Oratory Competition

BOOKER WASHINGTON BIRTHPLACE, Va.—The Department of Education of the Elks, in conjunction with the Booker T. Washington centennial commission, has begun its 32nd annual oratorical contest.

During the past 31 years the organization has given more than a million dollars to help provide educational opportunity for young Americans.

This year the organization is cooperating with the Booker T. Washington Centennial commission in its goodwill building crusade, which is being conducted as part of the year long celebration of Washington's birth.

Sidney J. Phillips, president of the commission, states that his organization is offering $3,000 in scholarships to winning participants in the Elks oratorical contest.

In addition to the scholarships, the commission will send free copies of Washington's biography, "Up From Slavery" to all contestants.

Elks to give aid to ousted Alcorn A&M students

MEMPHIS, Tenn.—George W. Lee, national Elk grand commissioner of education, announced this week that "the full force" of the Elks' department of education would be directed toward aiding former students of Alcorn A and M. College.

Mr. Lee said that his organization has already extended a $1,000 scholarship to Ernest McEwen, president of the Alcorn Student Council, "to attend the college or university of your choice."

The Alcorn students were given an ultimatum last week by the all-white board of trustees to return to classes or face explusion following a protest walkout after demanding the resignation of a member of the faculty. More than half were still out this week.

ELKS MARCH IN MACON, KLAN LEADERS COMPLAIN

MACON — (SNS) — Negro Elks who marched through downtown Macon Sunday in a spectacular parade following a district convention last weekend, were scarcely finished with their meeting when the Ku Klux Klan fumed because they had been kept from the thoroughfares.

The convention had been composed of a district meeting of the International Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, which was attended by several Atlantans. The parade was conducted without apparent incident, and with Elks not aware of the charge by the Klan.

The charge against the city administration was hurled by a spokesman for the U. S. Klan, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan who declared permitting the parade amounted to "discrimination."

The spokesman, Lee Davidson, identified himself as Grand Klokard, (District manager of the Klan, and avowed "Its looks the city administration is using underhand tactics in granting permission for parades."

"They discriminate by letting some hold parades and turning down others," he said.

City officials had refused the klan permission to hold a rally in the city auditorium and a parade on May 25. The decision, made several weeks was upheld by Superior Court Judge Oscar M. Long after klan members took the case to court.

Davidson said klan officers will bring the matter up once more Tuesday during the regular meeting of the Macon City Council. He declared; "Klan officials are going to renew their efforts to hold a parade in conjunction with the May 25th rally which will be held despite the denial of use of the auditorium."

He added the klan at present plans to hold the rally near old Camp Wheeler, located just outside Macon's city limits.

Youth Urged to Compete for $3,000 Prize Money to Be Given in Elks-BTW Contest

Booker Washington Birthplace, Va.—The Department of Education of the Independent Benevolent Order of Elks of the World is setting machinery into operation to conduct its 32nd annual oratorial contest. During the past 31 years this organization has given more than a million dollars to help open the doors of opportunity to young America.

This year the organization is cooperating with the Booker T. Washington Centennial Commission in its Goodwill Building Crusade which is being conducted as a part of the year-long celebration staged to pay tribute to the one-hundredth anniversary of the birth of Booker T. Washington.

Winning Participants

Sidney J. Phillips, president of the Booker T. Washington Centennial Commission, stated that his organization is offering $3,000 in scholarships to winning participants in the Elks Oratorial contest who speak on the subject "Booker T. Washington and the Constitution". It is his belief that the ideals and teachings of this Apostle of Goodwill can do much to make good, sound, solid Americans of us all.

In addition to these scholarships the Commission will also send free copies of Booker T. Washington's Autobiography, "Up From Slavery" to contestants who enter the Elks 1957 Oratorial Contest and select as their subject "Booker T. Washington and the Constitution".

The Booker T. Washington Centennial Commission is sending out letters to thousands of Exalted Rulers and Daughter Rulers whose lodges and temples participate in this great educational program, informing them that the Elks Board of Trustees, in its Mid-Winter Conference, approved of cooperating to spread goodwill through this year's Oratorial Contest.

Young people everywhere are urged to enter the contest—and to select the topic—"Booker T. Washington and the Constitution".

Huntington Student Wins Elks Oratorical Contest

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va.—Burley high school was the scene of the state finals oratorical contest of the Virginia State Association of Elks.

Presiding over the program was Mrs. Beatrice B. Fowlkes of Charlottesville, state directress of education.

Dr. G. W. C. Brown, state director of education, conducted the contest. First prize winner of a $400 cash scholarship in addition to the district scholarship of $500 was Miss Marion Payne, 17-year-old Huntington high school student of Newport News. Her subject was "The Negro and the Constitution". Second place winner was 16-year-old Leland Green, a student at Walker Grant high school, Fredricksburg. His subject was "I am the Voice of Fredrick Douglass. Miss Gale Newman, 17-year-old Luther Jackson high school student from Vienna, won third place honors. Her subject was "The Constitution and Education".

Each contestant prior to entering the state finals won a district scholarship amounting to $500.00.

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PROBABLY one of the finest but shortest parades in the history of the Virginia State Association of Elks was witnessed by the citizens of the city and visitors on Tuesday, with five Elk bands and 14 marching units participating.

According to Brig. General H. Payne, assisted by Colonels-Asbury Mitchell, L. V. Eggleston and N. Howard Stanton, the following awards were made: First place, Elk bands, Capitol City Lodge, school band, Dunbar, Lynchburg; Marching units, 1st place, military bearing and best dressed, Israel Temple No. 138, Alexandria; 2nd place Daisy Temple, Richmond; best decorated car, White Rose, Newport News; unit coming the greatest distance, Beacon Light Lodge, Portsmouth.

Elks Give $1,000 Grants to Two Worthy Students

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — A pair of scholarships totaling $2,000 in cash has been awarded to a Mississippi college student and a Tennessee high school graduate by the Elks' department of education.

The grants of $1,000 each were made in behalf of Bobbie Cain, first Negro graduate of the newly integrated high school in Clinton, and Ernest McEwen, former president of the Alcorn A. and M. Student Council.

George W. Lee, Grand Commissioner of Education of the Elks, stated that these were two of the many scholarships the Elks Department of Education is carrying on its roll which included some 50 or more students in colleges and universities of America, Canada and Mexico.

In 1954, the Elks Department of Education presented scholarships to the five children who were plaintiffs in the Supreme Court case against segregation in the public schools.

Last year at the national oratorical contest in Los Angeles in which both white and colored students participated, Mrs. Autherine Lucy Foster, who fought so valiantly against discrimination in the University of Alabama, was granted a $1,000 scholarship.

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THE GRAND Commissioner of Education has just received the approval of Robert H. Johnson, Grand Exalted Ruler, and Mrs. Nettie Carter Jackson, Grand Daughter Ruler, along with other members of the Board of Education, to extend a scholarship to young Bobbie Cain, the first Negro graduate of the recently integrated high school at Clinton, Tenn.

This young boy was one of the 12 children who braved the Clinton mob to bring integration to the public schools of Tennessee, and despite the tension under which he studied, he completed his course as one of the 10 honor students of the school.

The Grand Commissioner stated that the national oratorical contest this year, which will be held in Philadelphia on Aug. 24, to celebrate Booker T. Washington's centennial, will be a highly contested affair between white and colored students.

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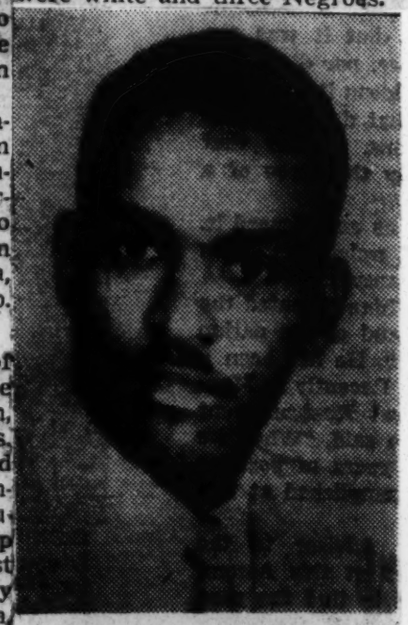
IN MANY of the contests already held on the local level, white students have participated in large numbers. In the contest at Indianapolis, Ind., Mrs. Ada A. Jones, the president of State Temples, reports of the ten contestants participating, seven were white and three Negroes.



ERNEST McEWEN
. . . an outstanding student

NEGROES TO COMPETE IN SPEAKING CONTEST

Oratorical Event To Be Held Here July 14

Finalists from six Southern states will compete in the Elks' annual regional oratorical contest for Negroes here July 14, Lt. George W. Lee, grand commissioner for education of the Elks, said Wednesday.

The contest will be held at 7 p.m. in the Progressive Baptist Church at 394 Vance.

State winners from Alabama, Mississippi, Arkansas, Tennessee, Louisiana and Texas will speak 10 minutes each on subjects dealing with the American Constitution.

The winner of the contest will receive a $1,000 college scholarship, Lee said. If he happens to choose "Booker T. Washington and the Constitution" as his subject, the winner will receive a second $1,000 scholarship from the Booker T. Washington Foundation, which is observing the 100th anniversary of the birth of the Negro educator this year.

Memphis is the scene for one of seven regional contests. The seven regional winners will compete for the national title in August at Philadelphia during the Elks' national convention. The national winner will receive a $250 cash award.

Edward J. Meeman, editor of the Memphis Press - Scimitar, will speak following the contest.

WILLIAM C. HUESTON, Elks' grand secretary, who underwent an operation in Freedmen's Hospital, visited his office Friday for the first time in almost a month.

Chi Eta Phi Sorority, a professional nursing organization, is holding its 12th annual boule and celebrating the 25th anniversary of its founding at the Statler Hotel here June 28-30.

The Washington - Alumni Chapter of the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity gave its annual outing at Rosedale Beach, Millsboro, Del., Saturday and Sunday.

Grand Amaranth Court Meets In Fort Worth June 24

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Houston, Texas

FT WORTH — The population of this North, Texas "capital of the cow" is expected to be raised by between 7,000 and 10,000 souls June 24 when the Grand Amaranth Court Texas Jurisdiction, Prince Hall Affiliation, convenes here for four activity-packed days.

Delegates will coverge here from all over Texas. They will enter the city beginning Sunday June 23, by motorcade, bus, train and plane and will congregate at the Masonic Mosque ot be signed out to their various temporary residences. All sessions of the convention will have headquarters at the mosque. Top brass of the convention predicts hat i twill be the largest in the 67 year old history of the court

Mrs Florine Brooks, grand royal secretary of the Texas Amaranth and royal matron of the Precious Jewel Court No. 82 of Dallas, and her court will be hostesses to the Convention. They will serve a huge free dinner to the delegates and other guests. Mrs Brooks, former secretary to the late Rev L. K. Williams of national Baptist fame, is currently being highly praised for her promotional ability which, in just two years, has made her court the largest one in Texas. Under her expert leadership the court has bought sparkling new regalia including the attractive fezes and has $1,000 in the treasure.

The board of directors of the Jurisprudence Committee is scheduled to meet Sunday June 23 at 3 p.m. in the Masonic Hall at Ninth and Jones. All members will be admitted in the meeting. Among the prominent members of the committee are the Rev E. Session of Rusk; Mrs M. A. Andrews, Alto; Mrs M. S. Williams, Houston; H. J. Jackson, Ft Worth; Mrs Mable Reeves, Houston and others.

Grand Master J. T. Maxie of Galveston and Grand Matron O. A. Kitchen of Victory have been invited to attend the meeing. The Grand Lodge opens its meeting Tuesday. The annual message of the grand royal patron, Fred Reeves of Houston, will be given at high noon.

Some of the other members of the official family are Mrs Thelia Jenkins, Houston grand matron Mrs E. B. Hibbler, Port Arthur, grand royal associate matron; the Rev J. J. Hardeman, Ft Worth, associate patron; Mrs Myrtle Johnson, San Antonio, grand conductor; Mrs Essie Franks, Beaumont, associate conductor; Mrs Mamie J. Wells, San Antonio and grand secretary.....

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HEROINES OF JERICH

Heroines of Jericho Have Big Meeting

OKLAHOMA CITY — The Grand Court Heroines of Jericho of the State of Oklahoma closed their annual session last week here in the state's capital city.

Despite downpours of rain and generally inclement weather, the meeting was well-attended with courts being represntd from all corners of Oklahoma. Officials reported that the "beautiful queen contest was one to be long remembered . . . . A large number of queens were presented in this event to a massive audience in the auditorium of the Douglas High school.

Most Ancient Grand Matron Mary Lou Whitby and Grand Worthy Joshua David Brown and the local courts of Oklahoma City had spared no means in preparation for the Heroines assembly.

The grand session reported a successful and harmonious meeting and the granting of charters to five new courts by Grand Worthy Joshua Brown.

A written report was made by all grand officers, showing the extent of their work for the year. All officers were re-elected for the forthcoming year.

Odessa Arnett of Tulsa is Grand Financial Secretary.

Dr Matthews Named Supreme Prelate Of K P

DALLAS — R. A. Hester, Supreme Chancellor of the Knights of Pythias announced the appointment of Dr William Walter Matthews, 45th Bishop of the AME Zion Church, Washington, D. C. Supreme Prelate to fill the unexpired term of Rev J. W. Hair, Jackson, Mississippi, who died the latter part of last year.

In making the announcement, Supreme Chancellor Hester told the press that this is one of the high points of his administration because he believes that Bishop Matthews brings to the Chair the background, dignity and ability seldom, if ever found in any one man. He lauded some of the Bishop's accomplishments as being an asset to the Order and emphasized the fact that his leadership and example would go a long ways in helping to build and strengthen the Order.

Pythias Reelect Officers

HOUMA, La. — The Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias, State of Louisiana closed the best convention ever held in its history. Dr. J. H. Fobbs, Mansfield, La. preached a great sermon. Sir R. A. Hester, Supreme Chancellor, Dallas, Texas highly praised Grand Chancellor, Samuel Nixon and officers for their splendid years of work.

Sir W. R. Gardner, Past Grand Chancellor, Mansfield, La. conferred the Past Chancellor Degree.

Sir W. I. Harry, Grand Chancellor in giving the annual address was at his best. All officers were reelected.

Sir A. Samuel Nixon, Grand Chancellor was again elected as delegate to the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias Convention, which will be held in Newark, New Jersey, August 18th through August 22nd. Others elected to attend the Supreme Lodge Convention are: Sir C. H. Hill, Sir W. I. Harry and Sir George W. Ch[illegible]

Integration Seen As Race Destroyer

JACKSON, May 21 (UPI) — Two-time Democratic vice presidential candidate Ross Barnett told a convention of Knights of Pythias that great nations can be destroyed by racial integration.

"When you place your children and grandchildren next to the colored child," the Jackson attorney said, "they are going to hear and see things they shouldn't. It's too easy to mold the minds of the young."

Knights Of Pythias Hold 38th Biennial Meet In N. J.

Alabama sent an influential delegation to the 38th biennial session of the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias of North America, South America, Europe, Asia, Africa and Australia which opened Aug. 19 in Newark, N. J. [illegible]

From the Grand Lodge [illegible] accompanying the Grand Chancellor, Sir W. A. [illegible] Robinson, Grand Master Exchequer, and Sir [illegible] scribe and Master of Finance, [illegible] lecture.

Attending the Supreme Session from the Order of Calanthe of Alabama will be Miss Hallie [illegible] Grand Worthy Counselor and Supreme Receiver of Deposits, are [illegible] lodging pursuant [illegible]

Miss Addie Robinson, W. C. [illegible] Court, City Chairman of the Board of Directors Mrs. Ella R. Adams; Education Director, Mrs. Carrie Russell; Grand Juvenile Instructor, Mrs. Viola Williams; W. C. of Jasper's Pride Court, Jasper, and Board of Directors, Mrs. Mary Belle Robinson; W. C. of Adams' Delight Court, and Board of Directors, Mrs. Elsie Green; Grand Register of Deeds of the Alabama Jurisdiction, Mrs. Mable Spencer, secretary-treasurer, of the Education Department, Mrs. Earle A. Payne, Grand Juvenile Matron of the Alabama Jurisdiction, Mrs. Hattie Smith; Deputy, Imperial Princess of Omars, and Mrs. Mary Reed, W. C. V. Moore's Court visiting. Mrs. W. A. Martin, and Mrs. A. G. Gaston are also visiting the Session.

Knights Of St Peter Claver Holds State Meet In Beaumont

Interracial Houston, Tex.
Sat 5-18-57

BEAUMONT — The Knights of St Peter Claver held their State Meeting in Beaumont May 5 with Meeting in Beaumont May 5 with Blessed Sacrament Knights and Ladies Auxiliary as hostess. Grand Knights on behalf of their respective councils and Court No. 28.

The meeting began with a High Mass At Blessed Sacrament Church, with Rev Joseph M. Schmutz SSJ, officiating; Rev Schmutz is pastor of Blessed Sacrament Church and Chaplain of the Texas State Conference. O. B. Hebert of Beaumont, president of the Knights of Texas presided at the meeting. Miss Selcers, president of the Ladies presided.

I nattendance for the luncheon were such distinguished guests as Marion Lewis, president of District I National Alliance of Postal Employees; Rev Charles Hanks, SSJ, pastor of Our Mother Catholic Church; Attorney U. Simpson Tate of Dallas who was the guest speaker; Supreme Knight B. V. Barranco, Mr Thomas R. Lee, National Secretary; Dr E. Perry, national physician; Mrs E. B. Jones tional physician; Mrs E. B. Jones of Galveston, Supreme Lady; Emile Fontenot, state deputy of Texas.

The delegates enjoyed the tour of the Great Magnolia Refinery, guided by Timothy Young.

Earl Vilz, general chairman Mrs Alex Joseph co-chairman and the young Grand Knight Murry J. Frank were responsible for the success of the state meeting.

The delegates voted unanimously to initiate plans for their fiftieth anniversary to be celebrated in August, 1959, with the past Supreme Knight, John Clouser of Galveston, as chairman from the state of Texas.

The National Convention will be in Houston August 3-7.

Knights Of Peter Claver To Meet In Houston Aug. 4-7

Weekly New Orleans, La. Sat. 1-27-57 p.3

By Leslie Barnum

Baton Rouge, La.--More than 1,000 men and women delegates are expected to converge on Houston, Texas for the 42nd annual National Convention of Knights of St. Peter Claver Aug. 4-7. Headquarters will be at Carver YMCA Branch, announced Dr. Beverly V. Baranco, Jr., Supreme Knight of this city.

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The 1956 convention was held in Oakland, Calif.

The Catholic organization has assets of $743,595.75, and Supreme Knight Baranco predicts assets in the "next two years will be well over the million dollar mark."

In an advance release of his annual report, Dr. Baranco pointed out that whereas many district deputies complain of being refused permission to establish councils in some parishes because of rumors of segregation in their order, he said, "I wish to call your attention to the fact that the Knights of Peter Claver is not a segregated organization.

"Many of our councils are integrated," he revealed. "Only in states where state laws prohibit integration do we necessarily have segregated councils."

In his report, Dr. Baranco will asks his state and district and other deputies to "promote a strong program of integration in all councils and courts throughout the various districts of the order."

The Mortgage Loan Department of the Organization has made loans and committments of $118,000 in an effort to encourage home ownership among its membership. Significantly, Dr. Baranco points out that each loan has been sound, and up to date. He said the organization has not experienced any defaults on investments.

According to his report, new Councils are in the making in Gulf Port, Miss., Pensacola, Fla., and Tuskegee, Ala.

He congratulates state, districts and area deputies who have assisted in promoting the expansion program which has netted four new councils and six hundred new members.

During the past year the organization purchased a tract of land with a substantial building on it within walking distance of New Orleans' Lincoln Beach. The property was obtained as a camp site for Junior Knights and Junior Daughters.

Dr. Baranco explained the facility may be used by the Knights and Ladies, Councils and Courts when not in use for Junior Knights and Daughters.

Dr. Baranco praised A. P. Tureaud, of New Orleans, who is National Advocate for the organization, for his active and outstanding contributions to social justice, human rights and civil rights.

For the Fiftieth Anniversary meeting of the organization in 1959, place to be decided at the annual convention next month, Dr. Baranco, will ask the convention for $25,000 to mark the occasion.

Dr. Baranco will recommend to the group that they donate $1,000 to establish a church in Accra, Province of Ghana, West Africa. The donation will be made to the Very Rev. Joseph O. Bowers, S.V.D., D, D. Bishop of Accra, who recently visited America pointing up the need for the Knights of Peter Claver to participate in the propagation of the faith in Africa.

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MASONS

100 Masons Ask Special Master To Hold Election Of Prince Hall Lodge

Call Tue. 5-21-57 P.1
Kansas City, Mo.

BULLETIN

Judge Harry C. Miller Jr. indicated Monday, May 27, that he may appoint a disinterested party to serve as an inspector of the election to be held at the Prince Hall Masonic grand lodge and to report his findings to the court. He said that he would not be inclined to name a special master to hold the election but that if he had the authority to do so he would name an inspector or an observer.

In the most recent development in the hotly contested litigation involving the Prince Hall grand lodge of Kansas, a new petition was filed in the Wyandotte county court Tuesday, May 21, by a group of Masons asking that the court appoint a special master to conduct the election at the grand lodge meeting to be held in Hutchinson, Kas., in June.

The petition was filed by six men, Horace Jones, O. W. Burks, Kenneth Brashears, Clifford Woods, Edward Hill and Ed Pruitt who state that they are representing more than 100 other Masons in asking this action.

The plaintiffs allege that at the last grand lodge session held in Salina in June, 1956, no nominations were permitted, that various members who sought the floor to object to such procedures were not recognized or were ruled out of order, that requests by members of the grand lodge for the appointment of additional tellers to assist in the conduct of the election were refused and that members were threatened with suspension if they did not sit down when told to do so.

The petition names as defendants the Prince Hall grand lodge and P. G. Porter, both as grand master and as an individual. The court is asked also to set the time of the election of grand lodge officers and to restrain and enjoin P. G. Porter from holding the election.

The members state in the petition that they cannot expect a full, fair and free election "if it is to be conducted by P. G. Porter, grand master, or anyone designated by him."

The plaintiffs state further that they pay dues for the support of the grand lodge, are members in good standing and that upon their death their beneficiaries are entitled to receive $200 in benefits. They claim that their property rights are involved. Their petition states further that "unless the court appoints a special master to conduct the election, the financial stability of the grand lodge will be irreparably damaged, members will be lost to the grand lodge, the subordinate lodges' inability to pay benefits will occur and disorder, violence and possible bloodshed will take place."

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Petitions signed by more than 100 officers and members of various subordinate lodges throughout the state of Kansas, asking the court to appoint a special master to hold the election, include the following names:

Clarence C. Love, John Barnett, William L. Barrett, John Loyd Young, Raymond Stewart, Willard Tolson, Isaac Hancock, C. E. Everett, Earl H. Washington, Leonard Brown, Robert Scott, Isaiah Jackson, W. W. Murray, Willie Wasson, Fred Grigsby, E. J. Johnson, Edward Hill, W. R. Tucker, Melvin Brashears, Orville M. Hayes, William Thompson.

Richard L. F. Mason, Emanuel Northern, Deacie Powell, Randolph Riggs, Eltea Smith, Charles E. Newton, Samuel T. Houston, James F. McCraney, Boyd E. Buckner, Jimmie Walker, Maurice D. Young, William Meachum, Lorenzo C. Worten, Ben J. Allen, William Russell, William Thompson, O. E. Wilson, Floyd Thomas, Marion L. Watts.

Lester V. Brown Warren W. Walker, Lee Leland Martin, James Brown, Johnnie H. Jordon, Eugene McFarland, George Ezell, Clyde A. Townsend, Theodore Christwell, Shellie McClendon, Eacie Hatchett, Gus C. Anderson, E. C. Boswell, Jake Barnes, Jesse F. Hope, James Abair, Charles Jackson, Arthur Morris.

Frederick N. Phillips, Harvey L. Humphress, John Walker, Roosevelt Davis. Frank Duncan, Watson McLaurin, L. P. Witherspoon, Adolph Williams, Chauncey Taylor, Avery Stuart, Oscar J. Mims, Ed. Pruitt, Earl V. Brown, James McCurry, W. H. Frye, James Poole, Freddie M. Lewis, Charles Payne, Jr., Willie Windom.

Robert L. Webster, Steve Jackson, Jeff Tyson, Dell Doolin, W. M. Wyatt, Burnie Patton, William Franklin, Otis Anderson Jr. Roy Sykes, Frank E. Jones, Thomas J. Donaldson, James Bolden, John Calloway, Walter Brown, L. C. Grant Alvin Pruitt, J. Smith, Otis G. Butler, Horace D. Jones, C. C. Byers, Clifford L. Woods.

Wordie Hych, Albert E. Harper, Albert S. Hight, E. Laverne Worten, Roderick H. Taylor, William C. Woods, Robert E. Powell, E. McDaniel, R. H. Jackson, Gerald Jenkins, Lewie W. Evans, Albert A. Wynn, Henry Walker, G. J. Jones, George E. Newman, Charles L. Striling, J. J. Jones, Calvin L. Claridge.

Judge Harry G. Miller of Division No. 3 of the district court of Wyandotte county, has set the time for the hearing on this matter as Monday, May 27.

On this same day, Judge Miller will hear the concluding arguments from both sides on another petition filed by a group of 13 Masons asking the court to appoint a receiver for the grand lodge and to order an audit of the grand lodge's finances by a certified public accountant.

The trial on this petition was begun May 7 and continued through May 8. When it was not concluded at the end of that day, Judge Miller set Tuesday, May 21, to conclude the trial but at the end of that day all of the evidence still was not in. Judge Miller has indicated that the case must be concluded on Monday, May 27.

Witnesses placed on the stand Tuesday included Chester Gaskin, grand secretary of the grand lodge; Robert W. Milligan, public accountant of Olathe, Kas., employed by the grand lodge to audit the grand lodge books, and Robert Taylor certified public accountant under whose supervision an analysis of the finances of the grand lodge was prepared for the plaintiffs. The two accountants gave conflicting testimony.

P. G. Porter Reelected By Kansas Grand Lodge

Call Fri. 6-14-57 Kansas City, Mo.
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Prince Hall Masons End Anual Session

(Special to THE CALL)

HUTCHINSON, Kas. — P. G. Porter of Olathe, Kas., was reelected grand master of the Prince Hall Masonic grand lodge of Kansas at the annual grand lodge session here Thursday, June 6.

Porter defeated Roosevelt Butler of Kansas City, Kas., who ran for grand master, by a vote of 164 to 80.

William H. Towers was reelected deputy grand master by acclamation.

Chester Gaskin of Kansas City, Kas., was reelected grand secretary, defeating Elmer C. Jackson Jr. by a vote of 159 to 87.

Noah Wells of Wichita was elected grand orator, succeeding Myles C. Stevens.

All other officers were reelected. They are: Homer Perry, Wichita, grand treasurer; Leroy Phillips, Winfield, grand senior warden; R. J. Coleman, Topeka, grand junior warden; Vern T. Watts, Hutchinson, grand lecturer; B. C. Easter, Salina, grand custodian and Prentiss A. Townsend, Topeka, grand attorney.

A. B. Howard of Kansas City and Dr. Payne Ransom of Topeka, who were appointed by Judge Harry C. Miller Jr. of the Wyandotte county court to serve as inspectors at the grand lodge election, were appointed tellers by Grand Master Porter. The third teller was C. B. Walker of Parsons, Kas.

Upon his reelection, Grand Master Porter made the following statement:

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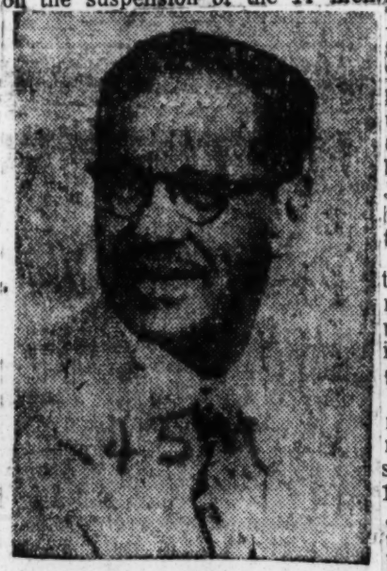
"I take the decisive vote as a mandate to keep regular and legitimate Masonry in the Kansas jurisdiction and to continue to push vigorously the expansion program voted by our grand lodge in 1955."

Thirteen men who filed a lawsuit against the grand lodge in the Wyandotte county district court were suspended from the grand lodge following a hearing before the grievance committee. The committee recommended their suspension and the grand lodge adopted the committee's findings by a vote of 136 to 56.

Elmer C. Jackson Jr., attorney for the men and himself a member of the grand lodge, also was suspended from the lodge by a vote of 145 to 37. The men were charged with un-Masonic conduct.

The court-appointed inspectors also served as tellers in the vote on the suspension of the 14 men.



P. G. PORTER

Tennessee Shriners To Hold Meet In Knoxville

Call Fri 6-28-57
Kansas City, Mo.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — (ANP) — Illustrious Harry T. Coleman, imperial deputy of the Desert of Tennessee, Ancient Egyptian Arabic Order, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine (Prnice Hall Affiliation) from his office in Somerville, has called each of the nine Temples under his jurisdiction to meet in Knoxville on Saturday, June 29, in celebration of the first state-wide Gala Day in history.

For the past six months Deputy Coleman has been meeting with

Day is to provide a central point, or Mecca, to which all true and loyal Shriners must journey in order to give thanks to Allah (God) for His many blessings; to celebrate the past year's good fortunes; to commemorate all recently deceased Nobles, and to renew their obligations to society through contributions to organized charities.

This year all Shriners; members of their women's auxiliary, the Daughters of Isis; other Masonic groups and auxiliaries, and friends —wherever dispersed—are urged to contribute substantially to the Shrine Tuberculosis and Cancer fund and other charities through the purchase of tickets on a 1957 Chevrolet automobile which will be given away on Saturday night, June 29. Tickets are now in the hands of all Nobles and Daughters throughout the Desert.

Among Nobles assisting Deputy Coleman with this two-day celebration are: Walter L. Hainey, Hyksos Temple No. 123, Chattanooga, who serves as recorder for the state committee; V. O. Dobbins, of Hasan Temple No. 150, Kingsport, treasurer of the state committee; William H. Fort, of Holla Temple No. 105, Nashville, chairman of the souvenir program committee; Roy L. Bowen and Harry T. Logan, of Almas Temple No. 7, Alcoa, and Wellingyon Walters and John M. McCoy, of Keblah Temple No. 78, Knoxville.

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Three Top Masonic Posts are Retained

Eagle Thurs. 6-13-57 P.1

Tulsa, Okla.

OKLAHOMA CITY — The 65th annual communication of the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge, F. and A. M., Jurisdiction of Oklahoma and its Affiliated Bodies met here June 2-5.

Amos T. Hall, Tulsa attorney and President of the Prince Hall Grand Masters' conference, was re-elected for the 17th consecutive term as Grand Master of Oklahoma. Mrs. Blanche M. Bruner of Wewoka was reelected Grand Worthy Matron of Queen Bathsheba Grand chapter, Order of the Eastern Star. Mrs. Mary Lou Whitby, Oklahoma City, was reelected Most Ancient Grand Matron of the Heroines of Jericho.

According to reports, all grand officers for the three major groups were reelected at the Oklahoma City sessions.

A public meeting was held June 3, at Douglass High school with Thurgood Marshall, special counsel for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York, as main speaker. Marshall incidentally, is a member of Coal Creek Lodge No. 88, Tulsa.

The NAACP counsel was introduced by Grand Master Hall.

Greetings were extended the body by the Honorable Allen Street, mayor of Oklahoma City. W. E. McMurray gave greetings from the Prince Hall Masons. Mary R. Wilson brought greetings from the Heroines of Jericho and the O.E.S.

A mammoth parade was held Sunday. Executive board meeting was conducted on June 3. Youth fraternity's formal opening was held on the same date.

In Tuesday's schedule of events the reelection of Attorney Hall as Grand Master by unanimous vote was outstanding. The Grand Lodge praised him for his years of service to Prince Hall Masons.

The annual OES dinner was given at Moon Junior High school Tuesday evening.

Meeting of the Administrative council of the Queen Bathsheba Grand chapter was held Wednesday morning. Final reports, election of officers and installation followed.

W. E. McMurray, Oklahoma City, was general chairman of the Committee on Arrangements for the communication.

CURTIS O. FINCH

E. R. BRYSON

WILBUR KIRKPATRICK

Masons Elect Bryson As New Grand Master

By CURTIS O. FINCH
Grand Lodge Reporter

ST. LOUIS. — E. R. Bryson of St. Louis was elected most worshipful grand master of the Prince Hall grand lodge, F and AM of Missouri and jurisdiction, at the 91st annual communication held here July 7-12.

Mr. Bryson succeeds Dr. Samuel E. Moore in the highest office that Masonry can offer. The Masons of Missouri have a three-year tenure law for grand master.

Other officers elected are: Wilbur Kirkpatrick of Jefferson City, deputy grand master; Curtis O. Finch of Kansas City, grand senior warden; John B. Hughes of Springfield, grand junior warden; J. Lewis Thomas of Columbia, grand treasurer; Antoine L. Murphy of Kansas City, grand relief secretary; Robert Simpson of St. Louis, member of the relief board.

Amos S. Bartlett of Moberly was retained as grand secretary. The Rev. W. A. Cooper of St. Louis was reelected grand chaplain and Jack Audrey of St. Louis was retained as grand lecturer.

Five in Contest

A spirited contest developed over the office of grand junior warden with five candidates nominated. Hughes, the winner, succeeds Finch who was elevated from grand junior warden to grand senior warden. A contest also was held for the office of grand relief secretary with Murphy winning over two other candidates. Simpson defeated two others for the vacancy on the relief board.

The Grand Court of Cyrenes, the Holy Royal Arch chapter and the Knights Templar conclave preceded the opening of the grand lodge and Harmony grand chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star on Wednesday. The royal grand commandress, Mrs. Susie L. Murphy, opened the grand court Sunday, July 7, and sessions continued through Tuesday, July 9.

Mrs. Murphy, having completed her term of office, turned the gavel over to Mrs. Ruth G. Croff of St. Louis. Sir Knight David E. Samuel of Kansas City was elected grand chief engineer of the courts.

The Holy Royal Arch chapter held its session Monday, July 8. Roosevelt Moses of St. Louis was retained as grand high priest. The Knight Templas held tseir annual conclave on Tuesday, July 9. Sir Knight B. F. Small of St. Louis was elected grand eminent commander. The Youth Council of Harmony grand chapter held its annual session on Tuesday, July 9, with more than 300 boys and girls in attendance.

Grand Sessions Open

The Prince Hall grand lodge and the Harmony grand chapter held their sessions Wednesday, July 10, through July 12. The grand chapter was paid a visit by William H. Dowdy Jr., grand patron. The sessions were presided over by the worthy matron, Mrs. Leah Mae Kincade of St. Louis. This being a non-election year for Harmony grand chapter, their sessions were routine.

The grand lodge sessions were presided over by Grand Master Moore. The opening session was limited to the appointment of committees and the grand master's address which was concise and interesting. Several recommendations were made for the betterment of the order.

Hold Welcome Program

The joint welcome program was held Wednesday evening with a large crowd in attendance. Thursday was filled with annual reports and the election of officers which was the highlight of the session. Youth dominated the grand lodge cabinet at the close of the election.

The Thursday afternoon session was highlighted with a tape recording of talks by Congressman Charles C. Diggs of Michigan, Adam Clayton Powell of New York and the Rev. Martin Luther King.

Past Grand Master Waite H. Madison of Marshall, chairman of CC of FC, brought greetings from all sections of the United States.

Friday was "clean-up" day. A charter was issued the John P. Parr lodge No. 8 of St. Louis.

Sixteen Gold cards were issued to members of the lodge with 40 years of continuous service. Among those receiving the cards was the retiring grand master, Dr. Moore.

The Grand Council of Pythagorans presented the Samuel E. Johnson chapter No. 1, the first chapter organized in Missouri. Other chapters are being organized rapidly throughout the state.

Harmony grand chapter made its official visit Friday afternoon. Grand Patron Dowdy thrilled the grand lodge by singing Grand Master Moore's favorite song. "The Lord Will Make A Way Some How." The grand lodge later returned to visit to Harmony grand chapter.

An honored guest visiting the Harmony grand chapter was Mrs. Mamie Ewing, royal grand commandress of the Court of Cyrenes, Kansas jurisdiction. Past Grand Master E. B. Fowler of Festus, Mo., also was in attendance.

The 92nd annual communication will be held in Springfield, Mo., in July, 1958.

The spirit was high throughout the session with peace and harmony prevailing constantly.

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MASONS

MASONS AID COLLEGE FUND — Posed before photographs of presidents of the United Negro College Fund's member colleges and universities, representatives of the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge, F. & A. M. State of New York, present a $500 check to the Fund's executive director, William J. Trent Jr., (center).

Pictured making the formal presentation are, from the left: Baxter F. Jackson, of the Prince Hall Lodge public relations committee; John J. Nash, Right Worshipful Grand Treasurer; Mr. Trent; Edward S. Hill, vice chairman of the public relations committee and Grand Director of Ceremonies; and Dr. Richard H. Stitt, Senior Grand Warden.

Masons, Labor Make Gifts To Negro College Fund

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NEW YORK — A Grand Lodge of the Masons and a Labor Union sent representatives to United Negro College Fund Headquarters last week to make formal presentations of their gifts to the 1957 Campaign.

John J. Nash, Right Worshipful Grand Treasurer of the Prince Hall Grand Lodge, F. and A. M. State of New York, presented a check for $500 to William J. Trent, Jr., UNCF executive director, in his office at 22 East 54th Street, New York City. Accompanying Mr. Nash to make the presentation were Dr. Richard H. Stitt, Senior Grand Warden of the Lodge; Edward S. Hill, vice chairman of the public relations committee and Grand Director of Ceremonies; and Baxter F. Jackson, public relations committee member.

"During the past several years the Fund has been receiving increasing support from the Prince Hall Masons from jurisdictions all over the country. This is encouraging, for it indicates a concern on the part of this powerful fraternal organization for the education of Negro youth," Mr. Trent said.

Henry Rhodes Sr., is the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Lodge and Alton L. Haywood, Sr., Right Worshipful Grand Secretary.

ELECTRICAL WORKERS CONTRIBUTE

A contribution of $1,000 to the United Negro College Fund was unanimously voted by Local 3 of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers following a presentation to the membership of the needs of the 31 member colleges of the Fund.

The check was given to Mr. Trent by Miss Muriel T. Hadley, of Local 3 on behalf of the union membership.

The current campaign is the 14th annual appeal conducted by the Fund to raise 10 per cent of the yearly operating costs of its privately supported, fully accredited colleges and universities. The 1957 goal is $2,000,000.

Dobbs Reports 16,000 Members For Prince Hall Masons In State

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SAVANNAH — John Wesley Dobbs, Grand Master of the Prince Hall Masons, reported to the 80th Annual Georgia Grand Lodge meeting here at St. Phillip AME Church that 210 financial lodges are operating in Georgia with a membership of 16,000.

In a report naming the growth of Georgia Masons in the 45 years he has served with the body, Dobbs cited at length the valuable property owned by the Grand Lodge, and its strength in government bonds, notes and cash.

Dobbs released figures showing Grand Lodge assets of $459,577.72 which includes $92,509.05 in cash, $363, 048.67 in property and notes and $4,000 in U. S. bonds.

Properties listed were 48 acres in Americus valued at $40,000, city property in Savannah listed at $45,000, land in Liberty County priced at $5,000.

Masonic Relief Association assets totaled $167,050.45 which included $37,446.79 cash in banks, $2,000 in U. S. government notes, 130,928.67 in notes receivable and the Slater property valued at $12,000.

The agency listed receipts of $88,999.84 and disbursements of $79,337.29.

The financial statement of the grand lodge was contained in a report by E. C. Blackshear, Grand Secretary; Donald Thomas, grand treasurer and A. McLendon, secretary-treasurer.

The financial stature of the lodge, which was organized in June, 1870, was lauded by Dobbs, who is marking his 25th anniversary as grand master. Dobbs was elected Grand Master of the Masons at Americus in 1932.

As an aftermath of the depression of 1929 membership had declined to 1,800. Georgia Masonry, Dobbs revealed "refused to quit; we also, refused to bankrupt on our honest obligations; and in course of time, we paid them off."

"Today we have 210 financial lodges, we have more than 16,000 members, we own valuable property, free from mortgages and we have peace and harmony."

Dobbs also reported on his travel to Ghana, West Africa, to the National Prayer Pilgrimage for Freedom in Washington, D. C., and on the Grand Masters' conference in St. Paul, Minn.

Court Bars Masonic Group

Courier P.3

Pittsburgh Pa.

6-15-57

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — The International Free and Accepted Modern Masons, a Delaware corporation headed by William V. Banks of Detroit, has been barred by Circuit Judge Stuart E. Lampe from using Masonic names and emblems in Kentucky.

The action came in a decision on a suit brought by the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Kentucky, which has operated in that state continuously since 1850.

St. John Grand Lodge Ends Great Session In Baton Rouge

Hundreds of Masons and Eastern Stars from cities, towns, villages and rural sections throughout the State of Louisiana met in the Capital City of Baton Rouge, as guests of the following Lodges and Chapters: James A. Taylor # 78; John G. Jones # 4, Jupiter #189, Valley Park # 19, Pride of Rosedale # 10, Zion City # 44, Ruth Chapter # 1, Mars # 63, Queen Esther # 62, Evergreen # 64, Veals # 65, Stars of Jupiter # 52, Givens # 74 and Elodie # 85.

A colorful parade in which all departments took part was a veritable pageantry of colors. King Solomon, the first Grand Master would have smiled as he looked down on the glory and brilliance of the scene. Many onlookers seemed transfixed as they eagerly watched the thousands of Masons and Eastern Stars in the parade. Rousing cheers of thousands of voices greeted them as they marched along the way to Capitol High School Auditorium where the Annual Sermon was to be preached.

The Annual Sermon was preached by Rev. A. Prince Fortner, 33 degree, Grand Chaplain. The Subject discussed was, "God's Care For His Own." Scripture texts, Psalm 91 and I Peter 5:7. The message was delivered to a great advantage, and the Messenger became a part of his burning message. Other sermons were preached by Rev. Q. T. Ellis, Baton Rouge, La., and Rev. Percy Simpson, New Orleans, La.

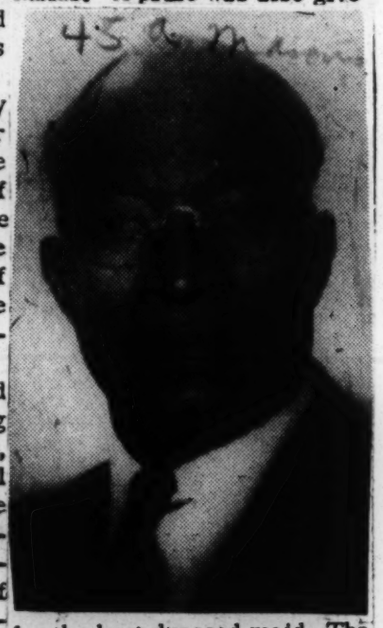
At the sounding of the gavel by Deputy Grand Master, E. E. Columbus, Rev. A. P. Fortner, 33 degree, Grand Chaplain, stood in his station and interceeded with our Heavenly Father to have mercy on the people and bless the occasion. Then the Most Worshipful Grand Master, A. R. Turner, received the gavel, in his rights as Grand Master. He wore a broad smile of satisfaction and confidence. At the sound of authority the great host was called to labor. At this moment the spirit of unity and peace seized the hearts and minds of the delegates. Thus the session began to carry out its proposed program.

The Grand Secretary, Henderson W. Lewis, 32 degree, who has made an enviable record as a secretary, read minutes connecting the last Grand Communication with the activities of the present one. Then was set the frame work for the next three days, by appointing several committees; Namely: Credential, Time and Place, High Degrees, Scholarship, and Resolutions. Then came the spontaneous outburst of praise for the excellent work accomplished by the Grand Lodge under the constructive and efficient leadership of Grand Master A. R. Turner and his Staff.

The principles of Masonry were praised because of their high ideals for man and the glory of God. The records of the Grand Lodge revealed the integrity and efficiency of the Grand Master and his Staff of Officers. The activities have been conducted on a sound business-like basis.

From the deep Masonic and spiritual tone of the meeting from the beginning to the end, it was evident that a cordial and constructive atmosphere would prevail. There was unanimity of purpose in all deliberations. In the midst of personal freedom of expression and activity, the imperishable virtue of Masonry remained untarnished. Many things were said to encourage the people to improve themselves, to uphold the Constitution of the United States of America. We must support the fundamental rights of all human beings, and strive to become a conscious part in the great struggle of humanity, in its effort to realize God's purpose in the world. The rallying cry of the world-wide is freedom and justice. In order to preserve these freedoms, we must educate our children, so we gave for scholarships the amount of $1,200.00.

The closing events were held at Capitol High School Auditorium in the form of a banquet and O. E. S. Grand Chapter Queen Pageant. Out of the group of 75 contestants, Mrs. D. M. Johnson, Ruth Chapter # 1, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, was crowned Queen. Mrs. Maggie Tappins, Royal Grand Associate Matron, Queen of the South Chapter # 94, New Orleans, La., held second place. Mrs. Bertha Hutcherson, Zoar Chapter # 46, New Orleans, La., third place. Mrs. Celeste Williams, Mars Chapter # 63, Baton Rouge, La., Most Maids. A prize was also give



for the best dressed maid. The Matron of Honor for the year was Mrs. Louise Atclise of Baton Rouge, La. A salute was given to Mrs. Estelle Williams, Royal Grand Matron for a job well done in leading the women to a successful and glorious conclusion of the year's work.

With honors well won and work well done Grand Master A. R. Turner, then declared the 24th Annual Session of the U. M. W. St. John's Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M., Scottish Rite Masons, Jurisdiction of Louisiana and the 19th Annual Session of the Daughters of Universal Grand Chapter, O. E. S. is now over. Refreshment is the order.

In the midst of the sweet aroma of true friendship and peace; the following Grand Officers were elected to lead the great host of Masons and Eastern Stars for another year.:

1. Hon. A. R. Turner, 33 degree, Most Worshipful Grand Master, New Orleans; 2. Ill. E. E. Columbus, 32 degree, Deputy Grand Master, N. O., La.; 3. Ill Zeak Hicks, Grand Senior Warden, Monroe; 4. Ill. R. J. Burton, Grand Junior Warden, Madisonville; 5. Ill. Steve Johnson, Grand Treasurer, Bunkie; 6. Ill. Henderson W. Lewis, Grand Secretary, N. O.; 7. Dr. W. A. Anderson, Grand Medical Director, Alexandria; Rev. A. Prince Fortner, 33 degree, Grand Chaplain; Ill. Emanuel Breaux, Grand Senior Deacon, Lafayette; Rev. J. M. Murphy, Grand Orator, Alexandria; Ill. Andrew Morrison, State Deputy, Baton Rouge; Ill. Gilbert Watkins, Grand Lecturer, N. O.; Ill. Freddie Tate, Grand Marshall, Waggaman; Ill. E. L. Verrette, Grand Auditor, New Roads; Ill. Frank Murray, Grand Tyler, N. O.; Ill. Harrison Baker, Grand Junior Deacon, N. O.; Ill. Girod Jackson, Grand Senior Steward, N. O.; Ill. C. C. Miles, Grand Junior Steward, Kelly; Dr. J. H. Murray, Ass't Grand Medical Director, N. O.; Rev. J. S. Morgan, Ass't Grand Chaplain, N. O.; Ill. Anderson Cooper, Ass't Grand Marshall, N. O.; Ill. J. H. Baptiste, Ass't Grand Auditor, N. O., La.

The Following Visiting dignitaries were in attendance: Hon. H. B. Turner, 33 degree, M. P. S. G. C. United Supreme Council of Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite for the 33 degree and Last Degree of Free Masonry for the Southern and Western Masonic Jurisdiction U. S. A., Grand Orient, Washington, D. C. also Grand Master of the State of Texas; Ill. E. M. Hunter, 33 degree, Imperial Grand Potentate, A. A. N. O. S. North and Southern America, Houston, Texas.

Ill. R. Mitchell, Houston, Texas.

James B. Kincaid Receives Masonic Gold Card For 40 Years' Membership

James B. Kincaid, 416 Greeley, Kansas City, Kas., was among the six Masons of the Prince Hall Masonic grand lodge who received gold cards and life memberships in the grand lodge at the 91st annual communication held July 10-12 in St. Louis.

JAMES B. KINCAID

Mr. Kincaid has been prominent in fraternal affairs in Greater Kansas City for more than 40 years, holding membership in Mt. Oread chapter No. 76, F and AM. He was raised to the degree of master Mason in 1917 which began his long career in the fraternal order.

He was elected master of Mt. Oread in 1922, holding that office for two years. After a successful administration as master, he was elected to serve as secretary on June 8, 1925, and has served continuously in this position for the 32 years.

Mr. Kincaid is currently a member of the auditing committee of the Prince Hall Masonic grand lodge of Missouri. He is past district deputy grand master of the second district of Kansas City, Mo., chairman of the Masonic general committee of Kansas City, past treasurer of the Kansas City Consistory No. 7, past master of Mt. Oread lodge, past high priest of Mt. Oread chapter No. 6, Royal Arch Masons.

He is also past commander in chief of the Kansas City consistory No. 7, past grand high priest of the Most Excellent grand chapter, Royal Arch Masons, past patron of Melrose chapter No. 55, Order of the Eastern Star, past eminent commander of Emmanuel Commandry No. 25, Knights Templar, and its present secretary and a member of Allah Temple No. 6, Shriners.

Mr. Kincaid was not present at the grand lodge session to receive his gold card and life membership because of the illness of his wife. His card was accepted for him by Raymond E. Burgin, master of Mt. Oread lodge.

In presenting the life certificate, Dr. Samuel E. Moore, grand master of the lodge, stated that he and Mr. Kincaid started out together in 1917 and that this was the first time he could remember Mr. Kincaid's absence from a grand lodge session.

Grand Master Moore praised Mr. Kincaid in the highest terms and stated that "it is gratifying to see after 40 years of continued service in the organization that Mr. Kincaid is still active in various positions.

Mr. Kincaid is recognized as a senior Mason throughout the Missouri jurisdiction and the nation, Grand Master Moore said, and is highly respected by all Masonic brothers everywhere.

With the presentation of the gold card and life membership, Mr. Kincaid and other 40-year members will no longer be required to pay dues.

Mr. Kincaid is a retired civil service employe.

Shriners Give NAACP $1,000

NEW YORK — The Imperial Council of the Shriners last week gave a donation of $1,000 to the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, Inc., it was announced today by Thurgood Marshall, director-counsel of the Fund.

Imperial Potentate Dr. Booker T. Alexander of Detroit, indicated that in the future stronger financial support will be given to the work of the NAACP Legal Defense Fund.

Prince Hall Wins Victory

SANTA FE, N. M. — Another signal victory for Prince Hall Masons was recorded in New Mexico when the Supreme Court of that state upheld a prior decision of the lower court in which it was held that the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons, New Mexico, had "superior and exclusive rights to be called 'Masons' as against the claims of other parties who may assert a superior right."

S. J. Bennett Named Prince Hall Secretary

S. J. Bennett, 1720 So. Center Street, has been officially named Right Worshipful Grand Endowment Secretary of the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge, F. and A. M. of Alabama.

He succeeds Fred C. Jenkins who died February 14. On February 18, Mr. Jenkins was laid to rest with full Masonic honors. Masonic lodges have been directed to observe a 60-day mourning period.

Grand Master Charles V. Hendley in an official communication February 26 announced the Bennett appointment. He made public the announcement March 27.

Mr. Hendley said Mr. Bennett "is fully capable of carrying out the duties of his respective office and will fill same with credit to himself and benefit to our organization."

The Grand Master pointed out that: "We have a clause in our Endowment laws which provides that the official office of the Endowment Secretary shall be in our Temple Building in Birmingham....." He added that feeling bound by this law, and the interpretation of it by the Grand Lodge officials, he sought "to find a brother in District 14 (Jefferson County) who was eligible and reasonably capable of filling the office of Endowment Secretary."

Mr. Bennett is also manager of the Jones Valley Finance Company.

S. J. BENNETT

Select Bonney In Mason Post For Michigan

DETROIT—The appointment of Rev. J. Henry Bonney, 7380 Woodrow Wilson, to Michigan director of education for the St. John Grand Lodge of Ancient and Accepted Scottish rite Masons, was announced this week by Dr. Wm. J. Fitzpatrick, Grand Master.

Bonney became associated with the Masonic order last January 14, when he was named an assistant to the Most Powerful Sovereign Grand Commander of the Supreme Council of Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite Masons.

As educational director he will help select candidates for the college scholarships given annually by the supreme council at its national convention.

Before joining the Masonic Group, headed by Dr. Fitzpatrick, the Rev. Mr. Bonney was assistant to the Supreme Grand Master of the International Modern Masons. He said he was in charge of the Supreme deputies and administered the job with honesty and in keeping with the high standards of the order.

"I figured I could be a greater service to the promotion of the good words of Masonry in the Great group under the leadership of Dr. William J. Fitzpatrick," Bonney said:

Masonic Head Must Pay Back $8700

NEW ORLEANS — Civil District Judge Rainold in court here May 1st handed down a decision to the point that Grand Master A. R. Turner of the United Most Worshipful St. John's Grand Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons of Louisiana and executive board of the Louisiana Grand Lodge of that organization separately and together are responsible for and must return the sum of $8,700 which members of the organization claim was taken from the treasury by the grand master and the board. This included a sum of $5,000 loaned or donated to the grand master by the board for his own and personal use, an automobile costing $3,200 given him for his own personal use and an additional $500 for his own personal use loaned or donated to him. Suit had been filed in civil district court by Attorney Louis Berry for several members of the order who charged that the funds were illegally taken from the treasury.

Members named as plaintiffs in the suit were Spencer Bradley, John J. Hawkins, Freddie J. Spears, R. S. Stewart, Howard Williams, Fred D. Shaw, Andrew Ballott, Ardie W. Carter, L. A. McClendon, John R. McGruder, members of True Square Lodge No. 34 and Prode of Alexandria Lodge No. 294 of Alexandria, Louisiana; an affiliate and subordinate lodge of the United Most Worshipful St. John's Grand Lodge.

Named as defendants and jointly and separately responible were members of a board of the Grand Lodge Henderson W. Lewis, Rev. A. Prince Fortner, Rev. Garfield Robinson, Harrison Baker, E. E. Columbus, Eddie Jones and J. H. Baptiste of Orleans Parish; Rev. J. M. Murphy, Rapides Parish; Andrew Morrison, Joseph Williams, James Ellis of East Baton Rouge Parish; Steve Ellis of Avoyelles Parish and Zeke Hicks of Ouachita Parish.

Members Win Case!

Masonic Officials Must Repay $8,700

NEW ORLEANS—Grand Master A. R. Turner and the board of directors of the United Most Worshipful St. John Grand Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons for the State of Louisiana acted illegally in using $8,700 for benefit of the Grand Master and must repay that amount to the organization, Judge E. A. Rainold ruled in Civil District Court here last week.

The ruling resulted from a suit filed Jan. 12 by Atty. Louis Berry on behalf of members of True Light Lodge 34, Pride of Alexandria 284 and New Light Lodge, all of Alexandria, La.

Defendants were represented by Attys. John T. Charbonnet and William Wegmann.

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PLAINTIFFS ARE Howard Williams, Spencer Bradley, John J. Hawkins, Freddie J. Spears, Fred D. Shaw, R. S. Stewart, Andrew Ballott, Ardie W. Carter, L. A. McClendon and John R. McGruder.

Defendants, in addition to Turner, are Henderson W. Lewis, the Rev. A. Prince Fortner, the Rev. Garfield Robinson, Harrison Baker, E. E. Columbus, Eddie Jones and J. H. Baptist, New Orleans; the Rev. J. M. Murphy, Alexandria; Andrew Morrison, Joseph Williams and James Ellis, Baton Rouge; Steve Johnson, Avoyelles Parish, and Zeke Hicks of Ouachita Parish.

The plaintiffs charged that the board of directors on Feb. 13, 1956, voted to loan or donate $5,000 of the grand lodge's money to Grand Master Turner "for his personal use and benefit," and that he withdrew $1,700 of the money in April and obtained the balance on subsequent dates.

Further, the plaintiffs charge, the board of directors in February, 1953, voted to donate Turner $3,200 to buy a car for his personal use and benefit, and that in February, 1955, the board voted to give Turner $500.

THESE ORGANIZERS of the A. G. Clark Consistory 68 of Masonry, Waterloo, Iowa, were scheduled to be honored at the annual banquet of the A. G. Clark Consistory April 24 at 825 Mobile st., Waterloo. More than 100 persons were expected to attend the banquet, which honors the three Masonic leaders for their distinguished work in Masonry. Left to right they are, Peer Homer Franklin, Peer William Bell and Peer Frank Garrison, sr.

Kansas Masons In Court

Naming Of Receiver Asked By 13

Two Sides Hurl Charges At Each Other in Court

By LUCILE H. BLUFORD

"Brothers" in the Most Worshipful Prince Hall grand lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, Kansas and jurisdiction, spent two days in the Wyandotte county district court this week fighting each other in a trial held to determine whether or not the grand lodge shall be thrown onto receivership.

A group of 13 Masonic brothers, represented by Elmer C. Jackson, attorney and a member of the lodge, has filed a petition asking the court to grant an injunction against the lodge to appoint a receiver and to order an accounting of grand lodge funds.

This group of plaintiffs was represented in court by Elmer C. Jackson Jr., attorney and a member of the lodge, and James P. Davis, his associate counsel.

Arrayed against them and protesting against the appointment of a receiver were P. G. Porter of Olathe, Kas., grand master of the Kansas grand lodge; Chester Gaskin, Kansas City, Kas., grand secretary of the grand lodge and Walter Rodgers of Wichita, chairman of the auditing committee of the grand lodge. Also named in the petition as defendant is the grand lodge itself, a corporation in the state of Kansas.

The grand lodge was represented by Prentiss A. Townsend of Topeka; William H. Towers and L. W. Johnson, both of Kansas City, Kas.

To Finish May 21

After two full days of testimony, legal entanglement and bickering among the lawyers, Judge Harry S. Miller Jr., of the Wyandotte county district court recessed the trial until Tuesday, May 21, when final witnesses and the closing statements by the opposing lawyers will take place.

Judge Miller had set aside only one day, Tuesday, for the Masonic trial. When it ran through Wednesday, the judge at first said that if the case was not concluded Wednesday, he would have no further time until the September term, but later in the day he found that May 21 was available.

In their petition, the 13 plaintiffs asked that a "receiver be appointed to take charge of collecting, receiving and transmitting to the grand treasurer of the grand lodge all monies received from the various local lodges... and that a certified public accountant should immediately audit the books of the defendant grand lodge corporation at the expense of the grand lodge."

They also ask for an injunction restraining Chester Gaskin, grand secretary, from collecting or receiving any grand dues, fees or other monies belonging to the grand lodge and from writing "any more checks in the name of the Prince Hall grand lodge."

Different Stories Told

During the course of the trial, both sides placed public accountants on the witness stand. They gave contradictory testimony, adding to the confusion and complication of the trial. One stated that the grand lodge had an "unaccounted for" balance of $18,047.23. The other accountant said that the books were in good order and that the grand lodge is solvent.

The plaintiffs and Attorney Jackson contended that the financial affairs of the grand lodge are "terribly mixed up and in a mess."

Grand Master Porter and his faction contend that "all the fuss" was stirred up because Elmer Jackson wanted to be grand county auditor for Johnson county for two years.

Kas. Jackson denies that the lawsuit is the result of "spite action."

The group of men he is representing say that the grand lodge affairs are in bad shape and must be straightened out. They say that they have exhausted every remedy open to them in the grand lodge and were able to receive no relief, necessitating the filing of the lawsuit.

Plaintiffs in the case who are represented by Jackson and Davis are: E. J. Johnson, a member of St. James lodge No. 59; W. M. Frye, Pride of the West lodge No. He said that he found all checks and records to be in order. Olive branch No. 74; Clifford Woods, Widow's Son No. 17; Henry Callahan, Progress No. 77; Kenneth Brashears, Progress No. 77; Wilbert Houcks, Prudence No. 6; James Poole, Pythagoras, No. 86; J H. Weeden, Pythagoras No. 86; and Tiamon Lewis, Silver City No. 48.

Courtroom Crowded

Most of the plaintiffs and a large group of other Masons kept the courtroom nearly filled all day Tuesday and Wednesday. Most of them said little during recess. Many of the Masons said that they were "neutral," not on either side. "We are waiting to see who is telling the truth," was a frequent comment.

Their confusion over "who is telling the truth" was a result of the grand lodge owns $20,800 in United States savings bonds; has $5,-

Even Judge Miller himself, the man, who will have to make a decision in the case, often shook his head in bewilderment as the opposing lawyers locked horns on dressed "snide remarks" at each other. On one occasion, Judge Miller in asking one of the lawyers to repeat what he had said openly admitted that "I am lost."

The court stenographer who has the job of taking down in minute detail the proceedings of the trial was the innocent "victim" of the bickering among the Masonic "brothers." She gave up in utter confusion once and asked for a recess. Attorney Jackson talked so fast that it was impossible for the reporter to keep up with him and numerous times, Judge Miller requested that he repeat himself and to slow down. Jackson reads and talks with machine-like rapidity.

P. G. Porter Elected Head Of Consistory

TOPEKA, Kas.—P. G. Porter, grand master of the Masonic grand lodge of Kansas and jurisdiction, was unanimously elected commander-in-chief of the Kaw Valley Consistory No. 16 at the annual election of officers held here recently at the Masonic hall.

He succeeds Joe Smith under whose leadership the Kaw Valley Consistory enjoyed a healthy growth during the past year.

Other officers elected along with Grand Master Porter were: Wright Stanton, first lieutenant commander; Hardy Epps, second lieutenant commander; T. Payne Ransom, treasurer; James E. Jackson, secretary.

Officers of the Chapter of Rose Croix are: Albert J. Blackwell, Most Wise and Perfect Master; Louis T. Alexander, Perfect Knight Senior Warden; Curtis Dudley, Perfect Knight Junior Warden.

Officers of the Lodge of Perfection: Willie Dotson, Thrice Potent Master; Marcus Pierce, Hiram of Tyrem Deputy grand master; Rueall Bennerman, venerable senior warden; Arbie Glover, venerable junior warden.

Grand Court Officers Elected In Mound City

ST. LOUIS, Mo. — David E. Samuels Sr., of Kansas City, and Ruth G. Croff of St. Louis were elected to serve at the helm of the Grand Court, Order of Cyrene, Prince Hall Affiliation, Missouri and its jurisdiction, for the ensuing year at its closing session, July 9.

Mrs. Croff was elected to serve as the most royal grand commandress and Mr. Samuels as most royal grand chief engineer.

These officers succeed Mrs. Susie L. Murphy, most royal grand commandress and Antoine L. Murphy, acting chief engineer, both of Kansas City.

The grand court opened with an official board meeting Sunday morning at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. William Dowdy Jr. Mrs. Murphy, presiding officer, conducted the meeting.

A memorial service was held Sunday evening at the Masonic hall

garet court relinquish its stations for the grand officers.

The official opening of the grand court was presided over by Mrs. Ruth G. Croff, most royal grand deputy commandress. All grand officers participated in the opening ceremony.

Mrs. Susie L. Murphy, grand commandress, conducted the business sessions of the grand court.

Following the appointment of committee the roll call of officers by Mrs. Marie M. Dowdy, general secretary, was made and communications read.

The afternoon meeting was opened with community singing led by the most royal grand chorister, Mrs. Cleopatra Gooch of Sedalia. Mrs. Daisy Johnson served as pianist. Special musical selections were rendered by Richards Traveling Singers of Sedalia.

Ga. Masons worth $459,577 in 1957

SAVANNAH, Ga. — The Georgia Grand Lodge of Prince Hall Masons — whose membership once dropped to less than 1,800 — now has more than 16,000 members and owns assets worth $459,577.72.

Those figures were contained in reports made during its 87th grand communication held here June 11 - 13 with Grand Master John Wesley Dobbs of Atlanta presiding on his 25th anniversary as grand master.

Mr. Dobbs' long tenure as grand master of Georgia Masons is exceeded only by that of Dr. Willard W. Allen of Baltimore, grand master of Maryland Prince Hall Masons, who has served a total of 34 years.

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THE RECORD also revealed that the jurisdiction has a total of 210 financial lodges in the state, that there were 137 deaths this year as compared to 138 last year and that nine lodges gave more than $1,000 each to the Masonic Relief Association.

Among recommendations made by Grand Master Dobbs in his annual address were that:

The usual payment of second checks (donations) not to exceed $100 on all bonafide claims of deceased Masons made during the past 12 months be issued by the Masonic Relief Association.

The grand lodge will place $10,000 in the scholarship fund, $5,000 of that amount to come from the grand lodge and a similar amount from the Masonic Relief Association.

Discussing civil rights, Mr. Dobbs said, in part:

"The high court has ruled that Jim Crow and segregation are dead. However, we know they have not been buried. What we want to know now is just when the funeral will be held.

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"WILL IT be seen or will it take another 90 years to put those two dead bodies into the ground?

"Equal rights and privileges belong to us according to law, Christian ethics and the moral code of civilization. We shall continue to battle for them from the outskirts of Heaven to the north limits of hell.

"We must battle for our rights in the courts, the churches, lodges, schools; through every legal method of organized protest and at the ballot box. Every man and woman above 18 years of age should become a registered voter."

2,000 Masons Convene at Anniston, Ala.

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Prince Hall's Muscles Flexed at Grand Lodge

Pittsburgh, Pa.

ANNISTON, Ala.—More than 2,000 delegates and visitors, representing 597 active lodges of Alabama's 33,000 Prince Hall Masons, spent three days here, July 23-25, in what Grand Master Charles V. Hendley of Huntsville called "the best Grand Lodge we ever had."

They gave an accounting of themselves and their stewardship of the Masons and the Grand Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star to the 979,761 Negroes in the state's 16 Masonic districts.

The report was highly encouraging and showed many worthwhile contributions outside the craft to the welfare of Negroes of the state.

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GRAND MASTER Hendley and his entire cabinet, as listed in the Courier last week, nationally, were re-elected for another term amid enthusiastic approbation from the throngs which packed and jammed the 17th St. Baptist Church (capacity 1,200) and overflowed into the street.

A highlight of the sessions was the annual Lodge of Sorrows, a most colorful ceremony featuring a huge casket amid candlelighted ferns and palms as orators intoned incantations to honor the brothers who had passed on during the year.

Alabama lost 482 Prince Hall Masons by deaths the past year. All of these, under the rigid and efficient business system of this, the biggest and richest Prince Hall Grand Lodge, were fully covered by the endowment department, which paid their burial expenses in full, with something left over for their families.

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THE ANNUAL report of Grand Master Hendley, a Howard University Law School graduate and head of the order since 1936, showed remarkable advances in the past year. Total worth of the Alabama Grand Lodge is $3,856,562.46, before depreciation which amounted to $211,286.18.

No other Negro fraternal organization in the world can make such a claim.

The ledger showed substantial educational aid to 29 college students, children of deceased master Masons. They were given scholarships to six Negro colleges in Alabama: Alabama A. and M., Alabama State, Miles, Daniel Payne, Talladega and Tuskegee Institute.

The education department committee is made up of Dr. H. Council Trenholm, president, Alabama State College; P. B. Swoopes, Sheffield, and Dr. Frank E. Steele, Opelika.

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THE GRAND Lodge also gave aid to widows of deceased Masons and to needy brothers. In addition, it invested $8,000 in the Tuskegee Federal Savings and Loan Association. It also made a substantial donation to the Montgomery Improvement Association, backers of the Montgomery bus boycott.

Prizes were awarded to outstanding Masonic performers such as H. C. Fearn of Huntsville, worshipful master of Sweet Home Lodge for having the largest net membership increase in his district and in his lodge, and to Moses Lee, Montgomery, for the largest increase in a rural lodge, Alma Lodge 73, Pike Rd. Dr. E. W. Taggart, district deputy, Birmingham, was honored for the largest number of Masons in any district in the state.

Sessions got under way July 22 with a public meeting featuring many prominent personalities. They included Rev. Joseph E. Boone, Rev. H. B. Vincent, J. T. Howze, Mrs. M. L. Simmons, D. D. Glover, Dr. G. A. Rodgers Jr., Dr. D. C. Washington, Prof. S. J. Whisenhunt, with Dr. Trenholm, Dr. Fearn and [illegible] Master Hendley. S. W. Nichols was master of ceremonies.

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NEXT YEAR'S Grand Lodge will meet in Mobile. This was the 87th annual grand communications and two extra-special features were the memorial address by Rev. Dr. Raymond Harvey of Tuskegee and the address by Grand Master Charles F. Williams of the Tennessee Grand Lodge. His body meets at Jackson, Tenn., Aug. 4-7.

The reports showed the Alabama Grand Lodge had made substantial contributions to progress among Negroes through its lodge and farm loan program. A total of $506,369 was loaned in the past year to build lodge homes and buy urban and rural farms.

The breakdown showed $10,500 loaned to lodges; $415,989.57 for urban loans, and $79,880 for farm loans. Many of these loans went into the economically pressured counties in which Negroes are being forced to suffer by bitterly prejudiced whites such as Wilcox and other counties.

Because of the unusual harmony which prevailed during the sessions and the unanimity as to the choice of officers for 1957, the Grand Lodge was able to adjourn one day sooner than planned.

Re-elect Alexander Shrine potentate

PHILADELPHIA By an overwhelming 3 to 1 vote Booker T. Alexander of Detroit was reelected imperial potentate of the Shriners, Thursday afternoon.

His competitor for the top office, Joseph W. Givens of Pittsburgh, not only failed to unseat Mr. Alexander but also lost his own position as deputy imperial potentate.

Givens backers, in an apparent effort to stampede the convention, had scores of signs planted all over the hall. But the strategy failed to work.

The roll-call vote was going so heavily against Givens, he attempted to withdraw as a candidate before the final tally but the presiding officer declined to accept his withdrawal.

Mr. Givens was nominated by Hobson R. Reynolds a member of the host Philadelphia Pyramid Temple. It is understood that Mr. Givens also had the support of former Imperial Potentate Raymond Jackson who was also in attendance.

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MR. GIVENS, was replaced as deputy imperial potentate by Genoa S. Washington, Chicago attorney, and former imperial captain of the guard.

Newly elected imperial chief rabban is Thomas Poag, Winston-Salem, N.C. school teacher who replaced Corneal A. Davis of Chicago.

Roscoe Washington of Los Angeles, uncle of the noted athlete Kenny Washington was elected assistant rabban to succeed Leroy Smith of Denver, Colo.

With no opposition, the Rev. John Henry Hester of Atlantic City was reelected imperial high priest and prophet.

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WILLIAM HENRY of Los Angeles declined to run for reelection as imperial oriental guide, so his position was won by Charles Dargan of NYC.

Having been elected for a three-year term by a suspension of the rules in 1954, Mrs. Ercelle H. Moore of Buffalo, N.Y. maintained her position as imperial commandress of the Daughters of Isis.

The following Daughters were also reelected to the Imperial Court:

Daughters Alberta D. Parker, deputy commandress; Wilhelmina L. Means, 1st lieutenant commandress; Eliza M. Coleman, 2nd lieutenant commandress; Mildred F. Wells, high priestess;

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DAUGHTERS GLADYS W. Dixon, oriental guide; Beulah L. McKay, treasurer; Ruth Flood, recordress; Goldie G. Hargett, 1st ceremonial daughter; Mary C. Johnson, 2nd ceremonial daughter; Lucille T. Williams, inside spy; and Josephine F. Brown, outside spy.

The imperial commandress conferred past illustrious commandress honors on Mrs. Nettie Carter Jackson, a member of NYC's Medina Court and grand daughter ruler of the Elks.

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AMONG THOSE initiated as Daughters of Isis during this session were:

Agnes Simpson of Cleveland; Minnie Lee Hamilton of Washington; Jessie Morris of NYC.; Marian K. Ray of Princeton, N.J.; Selena Hearst and Adele White of Philadelphia;

Jane Reed and Wilma Cunningham of Chicago; Morelli McGuire of Detroit and Lillian G. Martin of Baltimore.

Thousands See Shriners Parade

Thousands of spectators lined Broad st. from Christian to Diamond yesterday to watch the second big parade of the 56th annual session of the Imperial Council of the Ancient Egyptian Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

The parade, in which nearly 1500 members of Arabic and Egyptian patrols from 43 States marched and rode in brilliant costume, moved up Broad st. at 1 P. M., accompanied by a full panoply of bands and color bearers. Traffic was rerouted on all crosstown streets during the hour and a half in which the march continued.

Highlighting last night's activities of the annual gathering was the annual Shrine talent and beauty pageant at Convention Hall, main center of the convention's activities.

Imperial Council officers will be elected at this morning's session of that group. The Imperial Potentates Ball is to open at 10 o'clock tonight at Convention Hall.

The six-day session will wind up tomorrow with a series of business meetings that will include a report on the choice of a city for the 1959 Imperial Council session, appointment of standing commitees and the installation of officers.

Color Guard of Medina Temple, New York City, marching along Broad st. in the Shrine parade.

Masons To Hold Confab At Central State

WILBERFORCE, Ohio — The one hundred and eighth annual communication of the Most Worship, Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Ohio, F&AM and the 70th communication of the Amaranth Grand Chapter Order of Eastern Stars will convene on the Central State college campus August 11-13.

Pre-registrations indicate the Grand Lodge will have the largest attendance in its history.

James B. Simmons, jr., of Toledo, Most Worshipful Grand Master will preside. Amanda Transue, Xenia, Worthy Grand Matron, Theodore Grimes, Columbus, Most Eminent Grand Commander and Harold Haithcox, Lima, Most Excellent Grand High Priest, will preside over the appendant bodies.

The annual communication will begin with the Divine Service in the McPherson Memorial Stadium, Sunday, August 11 at 7 p.m. Dr. Charles H. Wesley, president of Central State college will deliver the welcome address, and the guest speaker will be Dr. Solomon S. Seay, AMEZ minister from Montgomery, Ala.

Dr. Seay, religious and civic leader, played an outstanding role in the successful Montgomery bus protest movement. For seven years he served as President of Lomax Hammon college at Greenville, Ala. Dr. Seay will speak from the subject, "A Ground Swell of Social Unrest."

Klan Protests But Negroes Hold Parade

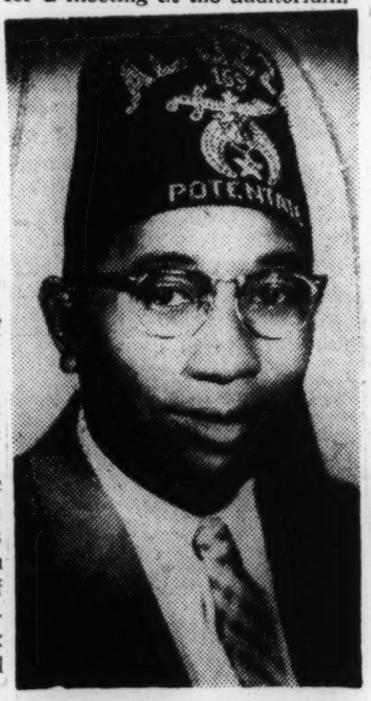
MACON, Sept. 22 (AP)—Negro York Rite Masons, paraded through downtown Macon without incident Sunday after police refused to stop the parade at the request of the Ku Klux Klan.

Macon police and detectives were out in force along the route of the parade, a feature of the state convention.

Police said about 35 members of the Macon chapter of the Klan visited headquarters and urged the parade be stopped. The Klansmen did not identify themselves.

Klan members said they had been refused permission to use the Macon City Auditorium or to hold a parade in downtown Macon and objected to Negroes being permitted to march.

The Macon Council in May turned down a KKK request for a parade and cancelled a lease for a meeting at the auditorium.



NOBLE H. T. COLEMAN
"Shriner Of Year"

Yorkrite Masons March Despite Ku Klux Klan

MACON, Ga.—Negro Yorkrite Masons, attending a state convention here, paraded through downtown Macon Sunday without incident.

Unidentified members of the Ku Klux Klan previously had requested police to cancel the parade because the Klan had been refused permission to meet in the city auditorium or hold a downtown parade recently by the Macon City Council.

Police were on hand Sunday to prevent any outbreaks of violence.

Dr. William Banks new grand master of Masons

NEWARK, N.J. — Dr. William V. Banks, Detroit attorney, was reelected Supreme Grand Master of the International Free and Accepted Masons, at a convention here last week at the Mt. Olivet Baptist Church.

Through the efforts of the Grand Master, who is entering his eighth year in the position, a program to establish a strong community action program was adopted.

Freeman Busby of Flint, Michigan was named National Director of Credit Unions to implement the program of establishing credit unions in districts where there are three or more chapters of the order.

THE establishment of credit unions was one of three steps outlined by Attorney Banks in his community action program. Other steps included the setting up of Improvement Associations in the community in which all leadership, regardless of affiliation, is to be invited to participate; and the setting up of on-the-job training programs for all persons interested in learning a trade.

Banks cited the tendency of minority groups to drift and also stated that the so-called vocational training schools were only scratching the surface in the teaching of trades.

Principal Named Shriner Of Year

PHILADELPHIA, Pa. — Noble Harry T. Coleman was selected as Shriner of The Year at the annual Convention of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, held last week in this city, it was announced by Booker T. Alexander, imperial potentate of the Shrine.

In receiving this designation, Noble Coleman's name will be added to the permanent Seagram Vanguard Award, which was instituted by the Seagram Vanguard Society in 1952.

Mr. Coleman is Shrine Deputy of the Desert for the State of Tennessee, and under his supervision he has temples at Memphis, Jackson, Nashville, Chattanooga, Knoxville, Alcoa, Bristol, Kingsport and Summerville. He is principal of the school at Summerville, Tenn., very active in civic affairs, and is married and has two children.

Elect Shriner Chief 3rd Time

PHILADELPHIA — A Detroit businessman was re-elected to his third term as Imperial Potentate of the Ancient Egyptian Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine during the 56th annual convention in Convention Hall.

He is Booker T. Alexander, who was first elected to head the more than 15,000 Shriners in 1955.

He defeated Joseph W. Givens, a Pittsburgh lawyer, for Shrinedom's top honors.

Prior to the election Alexander in his annual address re-affirmed the Shriner's opposition to jim crow in schools, jim crow employment, dual systems of wages in certain areas of employment, systems of promotion not based on merit, ond practices which prohibited races from members of certain religious sects from living in certain areas.

Alexander told Shriners that the welfare and future development of the fraternity demands that members of the fraternity oppose such evils

Other Shriners elected to office were:

Deputy Imperial Potentate, Genoa Washington, Chicago; chief rabban, Thomas Poag, Winston-Salem, N. C.; assistant rabban, Roscoe Washington, Los Angeles, high priest and prophet; John Henry Hester, Atlantic City, N.J.; oriental guide, Charles Dargan, New York; treasurer, Alvin Reno, Indianapolis, Ind.; recorder, M. C. Martin, Danville, Va.;

First ceremonial master, William Howe, Philadelphia, second ceremonial master, Rudolph Stewart, Washington; captain of the guard, Alfred a Dickson, Baltimore, and outer guard: Marshall Johnson, Pittsburgh.

Auditors are: George Crissup, Chicago, for a 3-year term; G. Stevens Marchman, Chicago, 2-years and Robert Schuster, Detroit, one-year.

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MISS JEANNE PITTS

WINS SHRINERS TROPHY—Tuskegee Institute, Ala. Miss Jeanne Pitts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Pitts, won honors in a recent beauty and talent contest held in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, at the occasion of the Shriners conclave. Miss Pitts, who is shown holding a trophy, was also the recipient of a $50.00 cash award. Competing with talent and beauty from representatives throughout the United States, she was listed among the ten best. Miss Pitts, whose voice is soprano, acquitted herself well in the eyes of the judges who combined talent with beauty to arrive at their decisions.

She represented the Mizraim Temple No. 119, AEAONM, Shriners, Tuskegee, Alabama, at the Philadelphia Imperial Council meeting. The honoree is a freshman at Tuskegee Institute on a scholarship. Both of her parents are members of the faculty of this institution.

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MERITED AWARD—Imperial Potentate Booker T. Alexander, second from left, presents the P. Ballantine & Sons 1957 Achievement Award to Bishop Howard Z. Plummer, left, for meritorius services to the Ancient Egyptian Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine during the 56th annual session of the Imperial Council in Philadelphia. Looking on are Mrs. Nettie Carter Jackson, Grand Daughter Ruler, and George Utendahl, sales representative for P. Ballantine & Sons.

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TROPHIES FOR BEAUTY PAGEANT, colorful and annual event of the Ancient Egyptian Arabic Order, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, are shown being presented to members of Pyramid Temple, host group of the Shriners' convention to be held Aug. 18-23 in Philadelphia. From left to right, Ralph M. Jones, deputy convention chairman; Christopher B. Conner, the Philadelphia Coca-Cola Bottling Co.; Henry (Bus) Johnson, general chairman, convention committee; and James C. Sheppard, illustrious potentate, Pyramid Temple.

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Rev. King Will Address Frats

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MEMPHIS, Tenn. — The Rev. Martin Luther King, president of the Montgomery Improvement Association, will be guest speaker at a joint public program sponsored by three fraternities when the Alpha Phi Alpha, Phi Beta Sigma and Kappa Alpha Psi fraternities hold their Southern regional conferences here April 18 to 21.

Pittsburgh, Pa.

LeMoyne College, 807 Walker Ave., will be the scene of all business sessions. Dr. Hollis F. Price, president of the college, is making preparation to entertain visiting delegates from the fraternities during Easter weekend.

Rutgers lauded for fraternity ruling

afro american Sat. 4-13-57

NEW YORK — Rutgers University is congratulated by the NAACP for establishing a deadline date for elimination of fraternity discrimination in a letter made public here last week.

Baltimore, Md.

Herbert L. Wright, NAACP youth secretary, told Rutgers Dean Cornelius Boocock that "with more colleges following this lead, we could very quickly and easily remove this ugly blight of discrimination which exists in our institutions of higher education."

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Rutgers University has announced that by Sept. 1, 1959, campus fraternities with racial and religious exclusion clauses must have removed such clauses from their constitutions or face expulsion from the university.

End Bias Clauses, Rutgers Tells Frats

World-Telegram Sun P. 29

By the Associated Press.

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., April 3.—Rutgers University announced today it has ordered three of its fraternites to eliminate discriminatory clauses in 1their constitutions by Sept. 1, 1959.

Wed. 4-3-57.

Dean of Men Cornelius B. Boocock declined to name the fraternities but said they are three of the 25 Greek-letter houses on the men's campus here. The other 22 are free of race or nationalitey restrictions, he said.

The dean said the three have made "every effort" to have the clauses removed but they are "trapped by the constitutions of their national organizations which so far have refused to change their restrictions."

Rutgers Bars Fraternity Bias

Herald Tribune P. 21 Thurs. 4-4-57

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., Apr. 3 (AP).—Three fraternities at Rutgers University were ordered today to end discriminatory clauses in their constitutions.

Newspaper

Cornelius B. Boocock, dean of men, said the fraternities have until Sept. 1, 1959, to comply with university policy against discrimination in Greek letter organizations.

Mr. Boocock declined to name the three fraternities. Rutgers' twenty-two other fraternities are free of race or nationality restrictions, he said. He said the restrictive clauses vary but in general limit membership to "white caucasians."

Jewish Group Reports Decline In Fraternity Discrimination

Advertiser

KIAMESHA LAKE, N.Y., May 27—An "astonishing decline" in racial and religious discrimination in college fraternities was reported today at the 105th Annual convention of District No. 1 of B'nai B'rith.

Montgomery, Ala.

The covention, however, adopted a resolution hitting at resort hotels which practice religious discrimination and urged business and civic groups not to schedule conventions at such resorts.

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District No. 1 of the Jewish fraternal order comprises New York, New England and Canada.

Arnold Foster, National civil rights director of the anti-defamation league of B'nai B'rith, gave report on college fraternities to the 1,650 delegates gathered at the Concord Hotel.

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He said that, in a "revolution of social attitudes," only 10 of 61 fraternity groups in the national inter-fraternity conference now retain discriminatory clauses in their charters, a drop of 25 per cent in the last eight years.

Reporting on a survey of fraternity bias jsut completed for the Anti-Defamation League, Foster said that veterans who entered college after World War II spearheaded the student movement to eliminate discrimination.

He said that in many instances the changes were due to pressures on national fraternity groups by college administrators and the undergraduates, but that "old grads have sought to perpetuate discrimination through 'gentlemen's agreement' quota systems and other suterfuges."

"The threat in 1946 by President Charles W. Cole of Amherst to bar fraternities which discriminated was hailed in the Foster report as having "triggered the student revolt all over the country," and as being the first major challenge to fraternity bias.

Foster said "it is now widely felt that fraternities are no longer a matter of private social concern."

WILLIAMS PUSHES ANTI-BIAS POLICY

Times P. 38

Fraternities Are Requested to Give Written Assurance on Selecting Members

Sun. 7-7-57

Special to The New York Times.

WILLIAMSTOWN, Mass., July 6—Williams College has moved to eliminate discrimination in elections to fraternity membership.

New York

By direction of the Board of Trustees, James P. Baxter 3d, college president, has sent letters to the undergraduate heads of the fifteen fraternities on the Williams campus requesting written assurance, before Jan. 15, 1958, of each chapter's freedom to select its members on the basis of merit as individuals.

The Board of Trustees earlier had approved a report and recommendation of a committee of its body headed by Jay B. Angevine of Boston, that had given special consideration to a report by a committee of undergraduates appointed by the college council and headed by David C. Phillips of Stratford, Conn.

Principal Proposal

The principal recommendation of the Phillips committee was that the trustees should make it clear that the freedom of action that they had ruled to be a condition of fraternity operation on the Williams campus could not be violated in any manner, whether by written or unwritten agreement or otherwise.

The Williams Board of Trustees had made two statements of policy on discrimination, one in 1946 and the other, an expansion of the first, in 1955. The 1955 statement was:

"In election to fraternities and to campus offices, the board holds that each undergraduate should be accorded whatever recognition he merits as an individual, according to his ability, achievement, personality and character, and further emphasizes its position that no fraternity may operate on the Williams campus whose Williams chapter is not free to elect to membership any individual on the basis of his merits as a person."

No Retreat Is Seen

The Williams trustees said that their previous statements on the subject of discrimination had been clear and unambiguous, and that there would be no retreat from them. They reaffirmed their belief that the social units on the campus served a useful purpose, and that in their own best interests they should encourage their active chapters to judge prospective members on their merits as individuals.

Dr. Baxter commented that "in a democratic society it is difficult to see how college authorities could reach any other conclusion." He pointed out that "the college welcomes the efforts made by national fraternities to improve the scholastic standing, conduct and financial management of the Williams chapters; but the president and trustees stand firm against any efforts that might be made to base selection of members on standards other than individual merit."

The trustees fixed Jan. 15 as the deadline for a written statement as to each chapter's freedom to comply with the decisions set forth so that all fraternities might have a reasonable period of time to clarify their positions with their national and alumni groups.

Williams College Takes New Step To End Fraternity Bias

Herald Tribune Boston, Mass. P. 3 Sat. 7-20-57

WILLIAMSTOWN, Mass. — (ANP — Another step toward eliminating discrimination in elections to fraternity memberships was taken here last week by Williams college.

By direction of the board of trustees, college president James P Baxter, sent a letter to the heads of 15 undergraduate fraternities on the campus requesting written assurance before next January 15 that each chapter is free to select its members on the basis of merit as individuals.

This is the third move made by the board of trustees toward eliminating discrimination in fraternal operation on the campus. In 1946 and again in 1955, the board issued statements of policy on discrimination.

The request for written assurance came as a result of a report by a committee of the trustee board which suggested trustees make it clear that freedom of action of fraternal groups could not be violated in any manner, whether by written or unwritten agreement or otherwise.

The date of Jan. 15 was set as the deadline so that undergraduate chapters might have reasonable time to clarify their positions with parent fraternal and alumni groups.

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Frat Racial Bans Must Go, Order

AMHERST, Mass., Jan. 15 (AP) —Racial discrimination clauses in constitutions of fraternities at the University of Massachusetts must be eliminated by Dec. 31, 1960, it was announced by university president J. Paul Mather.

Mather said the ruling was made by the university trustees at Washington, D.C.

He said the 1960 deadline was selected to allow time for the fraternities themselves to eliminate the clauses at their biennial national meetings.

The trustees said they believe such discrimination clauses have no place on the campus of a university supported by the state.

2 EDUCATORS QUIT WHITES-ONLY UNIT

Columbia Men Protest Rule Excluding Negroes From Engineers' Fraternity

Two members of the Columbia University faculty have resigned from Theta Tau, professional engineering fraternity, because it bars Negroes from membership.

The two are Associate Dean Wesley J. Hennessy of the Faculty of Engineering and Mario Salvadori, professor of civil engineering. Their letters of resignation, sent to A. Dexter Hinckley, grand regent of the fraternity, were made public yesterday.

Mr. Hinckley expressed regret at the last night resignations. He said he was sure that the discriminatory clause in the fraternity constitution would eventually be eliminated. The clause limits membership to white males. He said he disapproved the clause.

Members of the fraternity, at their national convention in Columbus, Ohio, last December, voted against listing the color bar in their constitution.

In their letter of resignation, Dean Hennessy and Professor Salvadori said they had been "uneasy" about the racial bar when they joined the local Theta chapter of the fraternity. They said they had become members in an effort to support those seeking to remove the ban.

"The reports of the Theta delegation to the national convention * * * clearly indicate that the fraternity as a whole is not ready to renounce the discriminatory clause and wishes to wait at least until 1958 before deciding upon this issue," they wrote.

"To maintain such a clause in any constitution in the year 1957 is 'morally unacceptable," they added.

Copies of the letter were sent to John M. Daniels, grand marshal of Theta Tau, to the student chapter at Columbia and to the Columbia College newspaper, The Spectator.

This was done, the faculty members said, "in order that the issue be brought into daylight and be known and discussed by all of the members of the Columbia family who feel that something more important is at stake than the existence of a chapter of an engineering fraternity."

"May we repeat to you," they said, "our admiration for the students of Theta Chapter [the fraternity's Columbia affiliate] who have tried hard to show the moral implications of disorimination."

Profs quit over frat's race policy

NEW YORK — Three Columbia University professors last week quit Theta Tau (engineering) Fraternity because of its policy of barring membership to colored students.

Submitting letters of resignations to the national fraternity were Mario G. Salvadori, Wesley J. Hennessey, associate dean of the engineering college, and Frank DiMaggio, associate professor.

In their letters, Salvadori and Hennessey stated that the fraternity, one of the school's oldest, policy of barring colored students is "morally unacceptable" in 1957.

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SALVADORI ALSO pointed out that the student members "essentially agreed with our action, but tried to get us to go along with their line of thinking."

In explaining their action, he said Columbia members have twice tried to desegregate the fraternity at national conventions in 1954 and last December, but were defeated each time.

The professor added that the students plan to make another attempt to integrate the fraternity at the next biennial convention in 1958.

"They plan to withdraw the (Columbia) chapter if they don't succeed," he said.

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EXPLAINING THEIR reasons for resigning, the professors wrote the national chapter:

"We joined in the hope that we could help the local chapter in its fight to change this policy (of discrimination). Our resignation is an admission of that.

"To maintain such a (Caucasians only) clause in any constitution in the year, 1957 is morally unacceptable."

Columbia Helps Campus Fraternities To Combat Bias in National Chapters

New York, N.Y.

Columbia College's inter-fraternity council has cleared the way for its member groups to fight discriminatory clauses in the constitutions of national chapters.

The council, Pamphratria, ruled yesterday that its member fraternities would remain in good standing at Columbia if they were forced to break with national chapters that would not remove bias clauses.

In making the announcement, Edward J. Malloy, assistant dean of the college and chairman of the council, said that the ruling affected three of the eighteen social fraternities represented on the council. They are Sigma Chi, Sigma Nu and Alpha Sigma Phi.

Dean Malloy added that the ruling was madeu p to clear up a misunderstanding that a fraternity would lose official recognition at Columbia by breaking with a national group. Dean Mallory, who also is the director of King's Crown Activities, has replaced Nicholas McD. McKnight, dean of students, as chairman of the council. Dean McKnight is on leave and will ertire in June.

The council's action followed by sixteen days the resignation of three Columbia faculty members from Theta Tau, a national engineering fraternity that has a bias clause in its constitution. The fraternity, however, is not affected by the council's ruling.

The three fraternities must make "every effort" to have the bias clauses removed from the constitutions of their national chapters. If they do not succeed, they must either "go local" or forage recognition by Pamphratria.

The fraternities are bound by a resolution adopted last April by the Committtee on Student Organizations, which sets policy for campus groups.

The resolution stipulates that recognition will be withdrawn if a fraternity is "compelled by its [national] constitution to deny membership to any person because of race, religion or color."

A deadline of Oct. 1, 1960, was set by the committee. It was extended to Oct. 1, 1964, provided a fraternity is able to submit "satisfactory evidence" that every effort is being made to strike the clause from its national constitution.

Sigma Chi and Sigma Nu have received the 1964 deadline. Alpha Sigma Phi must observe the 1960 deadline because of its failure, the council said, to show sufficient progress in removing the bias clause.

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AIPHA CHI PI CIEGA (Sorority Fraternity)
NATIONAL BEAUTICIAN'S ORGANIZATION

ALPHA CHI PI OMEGA soror ityfraternity, a national beau ticians' organization, holds re gional meeting in Greensboro, N. C., including a special ses sions at A&T college. Dr. War moth T. Gibbs (second from right) president of the college, welcomed the group to the campus. In the group are from left to right: Mrs. Florence Norwood, Greensboro, state chairman; Dr. Richard V. Moore, president of Bethune Cookman college, Daytona Beach, Fla., who delivered the principal address; Mrs. Earlie Grandy, Durham, regional di rector; Mrs. Marjorie Stewart, Chicago, Ill., national supervis or; Dr. Gibbs and Mrs. Banie Lyons, Greensboro, basileus of Nu Phi, the Greensboro host chapter. Delegates from chap ters located in 18 southeast ern states attended the twoday meet.

Caliver, Hedgeman, Foster Honored By Alpha Kappa Mu

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Montgomery, Ala.

TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE, Ala., April 4—First Laureate memberships awarded by the National Alpha Kappa Mu Honor Society were received March 30 by Dr. Ambrose Caliver, Mrs. Anna Arnold Hedgeman, and Dr. L. H. Foster, at the final session of the 19th Annual Convention of the society meeting at Tuskegee Institute.

In awarding these honorary memberships, Dr. George W. Gore Jr., president of Florida A&M University and secretary-treasurer of the society, gave recognition of the many contributions made to American society by the three honorees.

As deputy to the commissioner, U.S. Office of Education, Dr. Ambrose Caliver has blazed a trail for adult education and emphasized improved standards i higher education.

Mrs. Anne Hedgeman has for many years been a dominant figure in promoting opportunities for American youth to receive all available information to advance themselves educationally and economically. She presently seves as assistant to the mayor of New York City.

Dr. L. H. Foster, president, Tuskegee Institute, serves in many capacities of human and educational advancement. He is a member of the board of directors, United Negro College Fund; board of trustees, George Washington Carver Foundation; India Government Committee for Study of Rural Education in India; and the American Church Institute, Episcopal Church. He has traveled abroad in connection with the latter two organizations.

Beginning on Thursday, March 28, the convention registered 90 delegates from 35 colleges and universities. In welcoming the convention to Tuskegee Institute, Dr. Foster lauded the society for the high priority which it gives to scholarship. He emphasized the importance of an institution keeping scholarships at the center of its focus.

Highlights of the three-day convention included: a reception by President and Mrs. L. H. Foster, a symposium: "The Negro Potential," led by Dr. T. C. Cothran, national president of Alpha Kappa Mu, AN&M College, Pine Bluff, Ark., and an address by Mrs. Thomasina J. Norford, New York City.

Dr. Kenneth Clark, City College, New York, addressed a public meeting Friday evening on the subject, "Scholarship is not Enough."

The annual banquet attendants heard Dr. Robert L. Owens, a Tuskegee Institute now employed at Southern University, speak on "The Passport of Tomorrow," emphasizing the use of scholarship for human service.

Chapter awards were made at the closing session. Beta Tau Epsilon chapter, Tuskegee Institute, was awarded the Alpha Nu chapter, Savannah State College, Savannah, Ga., was awarded the Alpha Kappa Mu plaque for the best report and chapter project. Kappa Iota chapter of Florida A&M University was given second place and Beta Tau Upsilon of Tuskegee received honorable mention.

The officers for 1957-58 are as follows: president, Dr. T. C. Cothran, Arkansas Staet College, Pine Bluff, Ark.; vice president, Roy Woods, Miles College, Birmingham; secretary-treasurer, Dr. G. W. Gore, Jr., Florida A&M University, Tallahassee; assistant secretary, Miss Carrie Mae Bennett, Texas Southern University, Houston, Tex.; convention secretary, Miss Lucy Rose Adams, Florida A&M University; director of public relations, John W. Riley, Florida A&M University.

All regional directors were reelected. Two new members were elected to the executive council. They were: Dr. Robert Owens, Southern University, Baton Rouge, La.; and Ronald Bailey, Florida A&M University. The officers were installed by Dr. G. L. Harrison, president of Langston University, Langston, Okla.

The 20th convention will be held Nashville, Tenn., March 28-29, 1958.

DR. FOSTER RECEIVES AWARD

Tuskegee Institute president, Dr. L. H. Foster, is shown receiving an Alpha Kappa Mu Laureate membership from Dr. George W. Gore Jr., secretary-treasurer of Alpha Kappa Mu during the annual conclave held in Tuskegee last weekend.

Nine inducted in Alpha Kappa Mu Society

Afro-American
Baltimore Md.

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William E. Gardner, Waverly; Wilbert R. Davis, NYC; Richmond E. Kinnard, Franklin; Corinne B. Lucas, Cleveland, Miss.; Willie A. Magee, Yazoo City, Miss.; Richmod G. Sensabaugh, Kingsport; Muriel H. Simmons, Roanoke, Va.; Altumese B. Sumler, Fort Pierce, Fla.

17 Inducted Into Alpha Kappa Mu At Tenn. State

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By MABEL B. CROOKS

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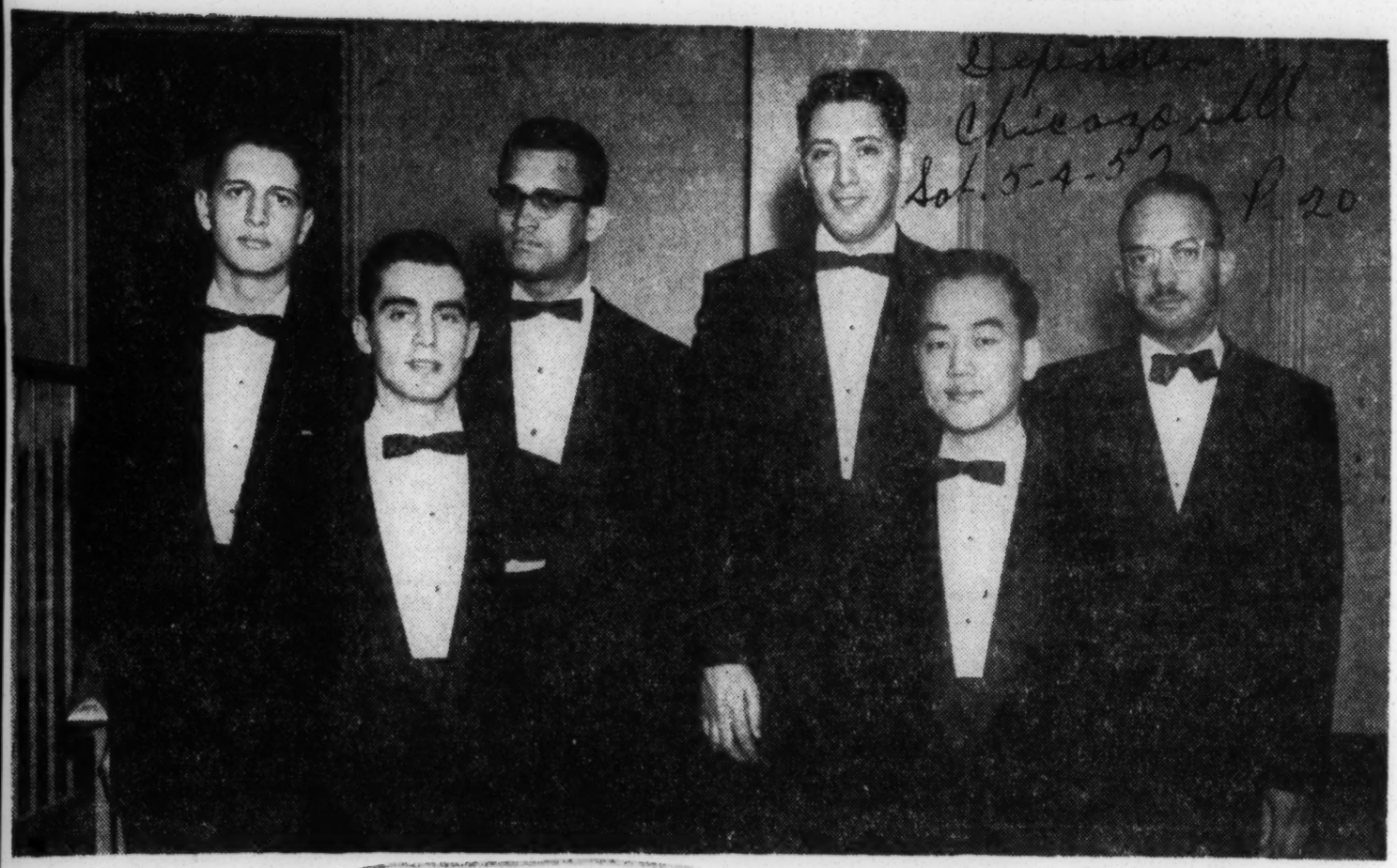
HONOR STUDENTS—Members of Alpha Kappa [illegible] honorary society, at Barber-Scotia College, are, seated, left to right: Miss Tinnie Pearsons, Cleveland, N. C., senior; Miss Elizabeth Gray, Charlotte, N. C., and Miss Janice Reid, Jamaica, N. Y., senior. Standing: Miss Ivory Holliday, Greenville, N. C.; Doris E. Holsey, Charlotte, N. C., and Mrs. Doris M. Peay, Concord, N. C.

ALPHA OMEGA ALPHA, NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY IN MEDICINE



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THESE SIX College of Medicine students at Howard university, Washington, D. C., were inducted into Alpha Omega Alpha, national honor society in medicine at Howard. Left to right, Tazewell Banks, a senior, Washington; Robert Carlton, senior, Bronx, N. Y.; Carlton Alexis, Brooklyn, senior; Philip Bernstein, Silver Spring, Md.; John H. Kim, senior from Los Angeles, and Thomas G. Shelton, a senior from Wilmington, N. C.

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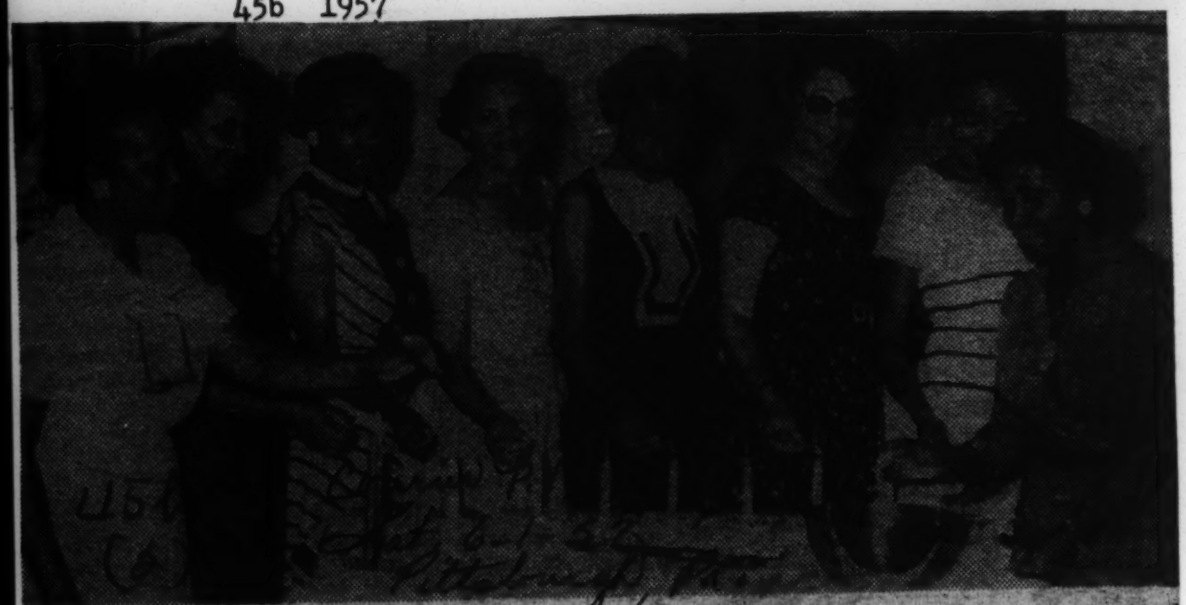
DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY



DELTAS BURN MORTGAGE — Members of Delta Nu Sigma Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Prairie View, Tex., hold the mortgage-burning ceremony as a part of the May Week program held honoring high school graduating students of the community. The mortgage burning is a national project during May Week in celebration of the completion of payment on the Delta headquarters house in Washington, D. C. Left to right are Sorors Hallie D. Wright, Vivian McMillan, Ezra Henderson, Beulah Stamps, Indiana Page, Mabel Dunson, Emma Darnell and Anne L. Campbell.

School Fraternities

We are most grateful to *The Post* for calling attention (Feb. 11) to the fact that fraternities and sororities still flourish in the District high schools, although banned by state authorities in Maryland and Virginia.

Actually, high school fraternities and sororities are legally banned in some two dozen states, and the trend nationally is more and more in the direction of abolishing these organizations which serve to wall off students into small social and religious groups. The District of Columbia Board of Education is following an extremely anachronistic policy in permitting fraternities and sororities to exist, and it is obvious the Board itself has major misgivings about their existence. Otherwise, it would not have adopted its present policy, declaring that "fraternities, sororities, and similar organizations are not officially recognized; are not permitted to hold meetings in public school buildings; and as such shall take no part in the life or activities of the school."

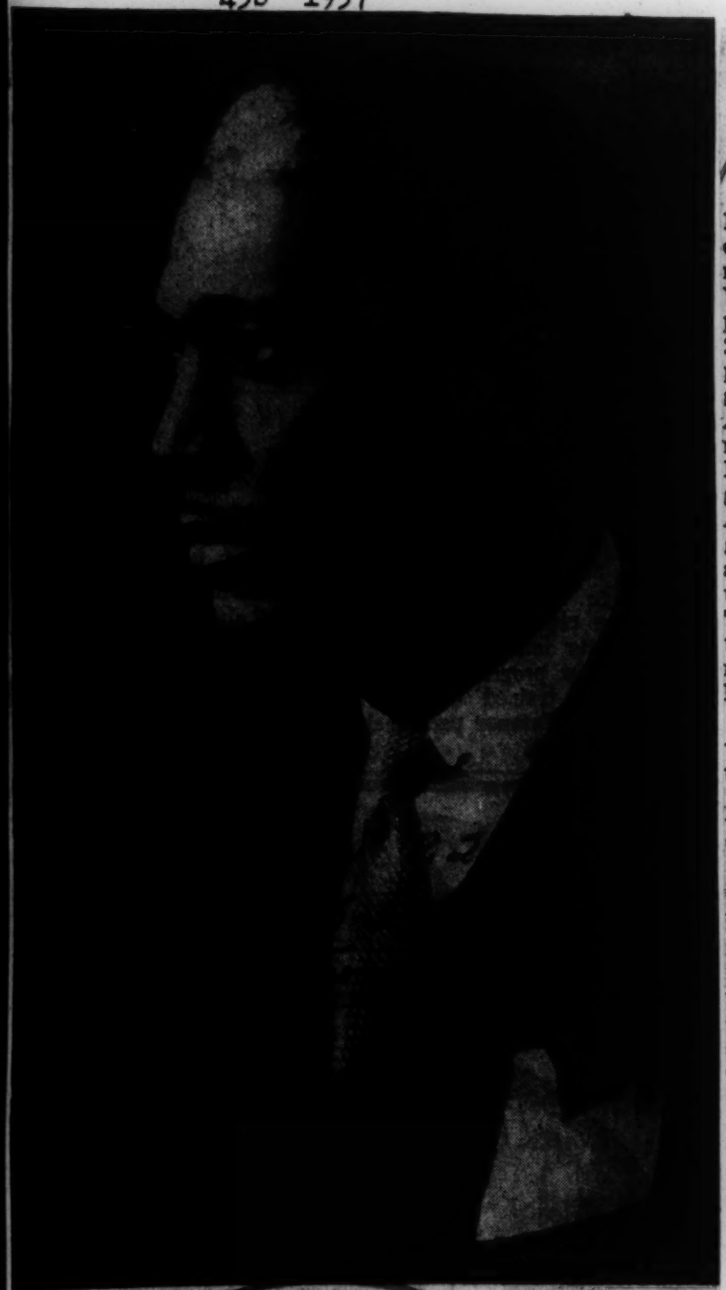
But is it not an ostrich-like and two-faced policy to pronounce against these groups, all the while knowing full well that they are flourishing here? If these organizations are so undesirable that they must be banned from participating "in the life or activities of the school," should they not be banned entirely?

Your Feb. 14 issue ran a follow-up story quoting William Pyles, principal of Bethesda-Chevy Chase High School in Maryland, as opposing fraternities and sororities and as saying he never heard of any "sound school official who does not feel the same way."

It is pertinent to note that last year a group of parents of children at Alice Deal Junior High School and Woodrow Wilson High School in Northwest Washington spoke to many school administrators and teachers here in the District on this subject. The feeling of all these officials paralleled Mr. Pyles'. They pointed to deterioration in school marks, lowered interest in school work and in school-sponsored extra-curricular activities, sagging school spirit, and considerable emotional stress and tension among students involved—both as "ins" and "outs"—in the fraternity-sorority situation.

We, parents of children at Deal and Wilson, believe that intelligent public policy—as well as honesty and integrity—demand that the Board of Education in the District replace its present head-in-the-sand approach with a full legal ban against high school fraternities and sororities, and that it enforce this ban. By continuing its present attitude, the Board is augmenting the problems of its already heavily-burdened teachers and administrators, and is doing a grievous injustice to the great majority of its high school students.

12 Deal and Wilson parents.
Washington



PAN-HELLENIC SPEAKER

Attorney Bedford C. Lawson, associate attorney in the firm of Lawson, McKenzie, Davis and Ewell law firm, Washington, D. C. will be the guest contributor at the Pan-Hellenic Council Banquet, to be held tonight in the Campus Center, Alabama State College. Lawson is general counsel for National Business League; president of District of Columbia Chamber of Commerce; chairman of Juvenile Court Advisory Committee and former National president of the Alpha Phi Apha Fraternity. The public is invited.

Pan-Hellenic Council-- Holds 28th Convention

Journal + Guide Nat. 5-18-57 Norfolk, Va.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind.—The National Pan-Hellentic Council, Inc., held their 28th Annual Convention at the Indiana World War Memorial, Indianapolis, Ondiana, April 26th and 27th. The Council is comprised of four national collegiate sororities, Alpha Kappa Alpha, Delta Sigma Theta, Sigma Gamma Rho and Zeta Phi Beta and four national collegiate fraternities, Alpha Phi Alpha, Kappa Alpha Psi, Omega Psi Phi and Phi Beta Sigma all of which have active graduate chapters in Indianapolis. The Pan Hellenic Council is the co-ordinating unit for its member organizations on both local and national levels.

The theme of the convention was "Integration's Challenge to National Pan-Hellenic Council." Two panel discussions were held. On Friday evening Theodore Randall of this city presided over a public meeting. Music was by Mrs. Clara Reese Banks and the Dett Choral Choir. Lionel F. Artis manager of Lockfield Gardens was moderator. The topic of discussion was "Our Responsibility to the Community as Citizens." This discussion brought out in bold relief the challenges of the changing times and the fortunate few who are college trained must assume leadership of the masses.

THE PANEL members were, Dr. Deborah Partridge, professor, Queens College, Long Island, New York; Harold Hatcher, American Friends Service Committee, Indianapolis, Ind.; Rev. Julius Simmons, Christian Social Service Worker, Dayton, Ohio; Rev. James Cummings, Trinity C. M. E. Church of this city.

Saturday morning Miss Frances E. Smith, Indiana University acted as moderator of a panel discussion. "How Pan-Hellentic Can Best Serve Undergradutes on Integrated Campuses." Participating Members were Misses Carolyn Parker, Marsha Bradley and Ester Long.

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SATURDAY afternoon Mrs. Dorothy Harrison, grand basileus Delta Sigma Theta, acted as moderator of a panel discussion "Integration's Challenge to National Pan-Hellenic Council." Participating members included Atty. Herbert Tucker, Boston, Mass.; C. Rodger Wilson, Chicago, Ill.; Dr. Partridge, Mrs. Ruby Watts, St. Louis, Mo.; and Rev. Simmons.

The meeting was closed by a formal banquet and dance. The banquet speaker, Atty. Victor J. Ashe of Norfolk, Va., delivered an inspiring address. Mrs. Geraldine Elliott, the national chairman presented the achievement award to Mrs. Gaynettte Myles for the Los-Angeles Chapter.

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THE REV. Simmons installed the newly elected officers: Mrs. Geraldine Elliott of Washington, D. C., national chairman; Mrs. Edith Dodd of Kansas City, Mo., vice chairman; Verdie Robinson of Washington, D. C., secretary; and Walter Riddick of Norfolk, Va., treasurer.

Fred C. Williams is chairman of the publicity committee.

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Installation Of Pan-Hellenic Officers

The newly elected officers of the Pan-Hellenic Council, Inc. are shown as they were being installed by the Rev. J. Simmons, Dayton, Ohio, at the formal banquet in Indianapolis, Ind.

Left to right are: Rev. Mr. Simmons, Mrs. Geraldine Elliott, chairman; Verdie Robinson, secretary; Mrs. Edith Dodd, vice-chairman; Walter Riddick, treasurer; Miss Grace Wilson, Everett Carter, Mrs. Gaynell Myles, Leon Ollison and Mrs. Allene Oliver, members-at-large.

Mrs. Gladys Butler, another member-at-large, is not in the picture.

THESE ARE THE 1957 inductees into the Howard university chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, the nation's foremost honor society. Shown following installation exercises at Howard last week are left to right, Euna S. Palmer, of Washington; Misses Shirley Y. Freeland, Winton, N. C.; Audrey E. Anderson, Houston; Boydena R. Wilson, Washington; and Mrs. Eleanor G. Harmon, Washington. Second row: Robert L. Baldwin, Memphis; Leo D. Stuart, Aruba, Nigeria; Claudius Thomas, Grenada, BWI; Ranville S. Clarke, Trinidad, BWI; and Theodore R. Horne, Washington.

Atlanta prexy addresses
Phi Beta Kappa chapter

Amherst fraternity bucks nat'l body

Afro-American Sat. 6-15-57
Baltimore, Md.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. — The Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity chapter on the campus of Amherst College, believed penalized for pledging a colored student, still plans to initiate pledges into the group next fall although they will not be members of the fraternity as specified by the national organization.

The college chapter was notified Tuesday by the national office in Washington that its right to initiate new members has been suspended pending further action by the fraternity's national convention in the summer of 1958.

National headquarters also stated that steps are being taken to revoke the local group's charter at the same convention.

The action came soon after the college chapter pledged a colored student, Reuben A. Clay Jr. of Richmond, Va., a freshman, was pledged to the fraternity this year and was to be initiated in the fall when a member of the sophomore class.

THE COLLEGE news office stated that reasons given for the suspension were "vague" and that a reference was inferred in the suspension that Amherst College was inhospitable to fraternities.

The news office issued a statement that whatever the local chapter does will depend on what action is taken by the national organization in 1958. The local chapter could be suspended for a time, dropped altogether or reinstated.

Richard Burton, president of the Amherst Chapter, said the "primary issue in the suspension is a moral one."

He stated that the chapter will no longer be able to initiate members into the fraternity but that it was planned to bring the slated members into some sort of group and keep the chapter together pending national headquarters' decision next year. . . .

WHAT FORM, this would take, said Bruton, would have to wait until the chapter members meet on the problem next fall. At present most of the members have left school for the summer months.

College President Charles C. Cole's office issued a statement which said that "Amherst College has never suggested whom members of the college fraternities should pledge, but felt that no restrictions should be placed on the groups from the outside.

"We are sorry to see that the national fraternity has seen it fitting to make such a move," he declared.

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Wed. 6-5-57

Special to The New York Times.

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Frat Ousts Chapter For Pledging Negro

Pittsburgh Courier P.20
6-22-57

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PI DELTA PHI
NATIONAL FRENCH HONOR SOCIETY

MEMBERS of the National French Honor Society, Pi Delta Phi, following the induction of 11 at Tennessee State university, Nashville. Members are selected on the basis of high cumulative general average and high scholastic attainment in French. The evening following initiation the society held its annual banquet. Dr. Alma T. Watkins, head of modern foreign languages at the university is adviser. Shown are from left (sitting) Miss Sondra Morris of Chicago, Ill.; Miss Shirley Laster, Chattanooga; Miss Patricia Ward, Lebanon; Miss Myrtle Johnson, Lebanon. (Standing) Samuel Lynch, Mexia, Texas; Matthew Kinnard, Franklin; Miss Mattie Edwards, Nashville; David Terrell, Tuskegee, Ala.; Dr. Herman Hyatt, Cleveland, Tenn.; George Berry, Nashville; Hollis Porter, Mufreesboro, N. C.; Miss Bonnie Wright, Chattanooga; Frank Fraser, Montreal, Canada. Not on picture—Miss Will Ann Mays, Henning; and Miss Cynthia Thompson, Hal Way Tree British West Indies.

PRINCIPALS IN PI DELTA PHI INITIATION AT MOREHOUSE COLLEGE — The seven Morehouse College, Spelman College, and Atlanta University students who were recently initiated into the French honor society of Pi Delta Phi are shown above with chapter officers and faculty members of the society. Left to right, seated, are: Dr. Rose-Marie P. Akselrad, Morehouse; Prof. Billie Geter Thomas, Spelman; Dr. Julia Y. Lee, Morehouse. Standing, left to right, are: William R. Sutton, Morehouse; Rebecca Gordon, Spelman, Paul L. Thompson, Morehouse; Robert L. Brown, chapter president, Morehouse; Alice Holley, Spelman; William V. Guy, Morehouse; Dr. E. A. Jones, Morehouse, faculty adviser to chapter; Jeannelle Stoval, Spelman; and Andre D. Hammonds, Morehouse. Not shown in photo is James Rogers, Atlanta University.

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PI SIGMA ALPHA
National Honor Society in Political Science

Five Howard Students Tapped For Natl. Political Science Society

Amherst Professor To Be Inducted And Speak At Pi Sigma Alpha Installation

Washington, D. C.—Five Howard University students will be inducted into Pi Sigma Alpha, the national honor society in political science, when the Howard Chapter of the organization holds its annual installation exercises at the University Friday (May 24).

An open meeting, during which the new members will be installed, is scheduled for the Browsing Room of Founders Library at 6:30 p. m. At 7:30 p. m. the group will be guests of the University at a dinner in Baldwin Hall. The principal speaker at the dinner will be Dr. Earl Latham, chairman of the Department of political science at Amherst College. Dr. Latham will also be inducted as an honorary member of the Howard Chapter of the organization.

The new members to be installed include:

Babalola Cole, 35 Garagbose, Lagos, Nigeria, a graduate student.

Miss Zernecia G. Collins, 1037 W. 61st Street, Chicago, a liberal arts student.

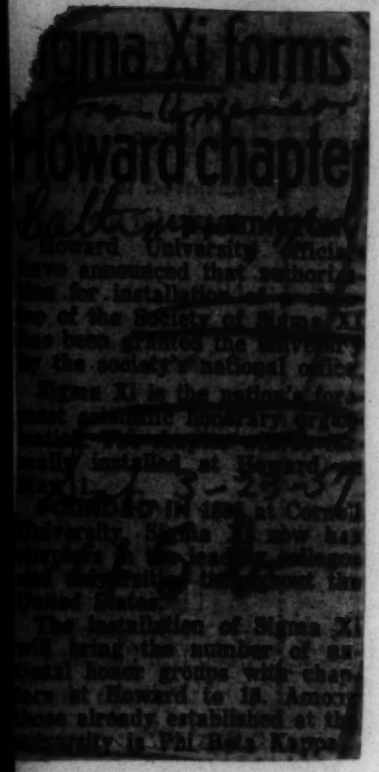
Frank John, 222 David Street, Georgetown, British Guiana, a graduate student.

Frederick McKinney, 3427 B Street, se, Washington, D. C., a graduate student.

Miss Constance M. Smith, 519 Louise Street, Baton Rouge, La., a graduate student.

The new inductees are the second group to be installed in Pi Sigma Alpha since a charter for the society was granted Howard last year. Founded in 1920 at the University of Texas, Pi Sigma Alpha now has chapters in some 70 colleges and a membership of more than 20,000.

To be eligible for membership in the Howard Chapter students must have a B average in all subjects and a B-plus average in courses in political science. The Chapter is presided over by Sampel Houston, a graduate student from Ansonia, Conn.



Sigma Xi forms
Howard chapter

Howard University officials have announced that authorization for installation of the Society of Sigma Xi has been granted the university by the society's national office.

Sigma Xi is the nation's foremost [illegible] honorary [illegible] usually installed at [illegible] 3-25-37

[illegible] in 1886 at Cornell University, Sigma Xi now has chapters in leading colleges and universities throughout the United States.

The installation of Sigma Xi will bring the number of national honor groups with chapters at Howard to 18. Among those already established at the university is Phi Beta Kappa

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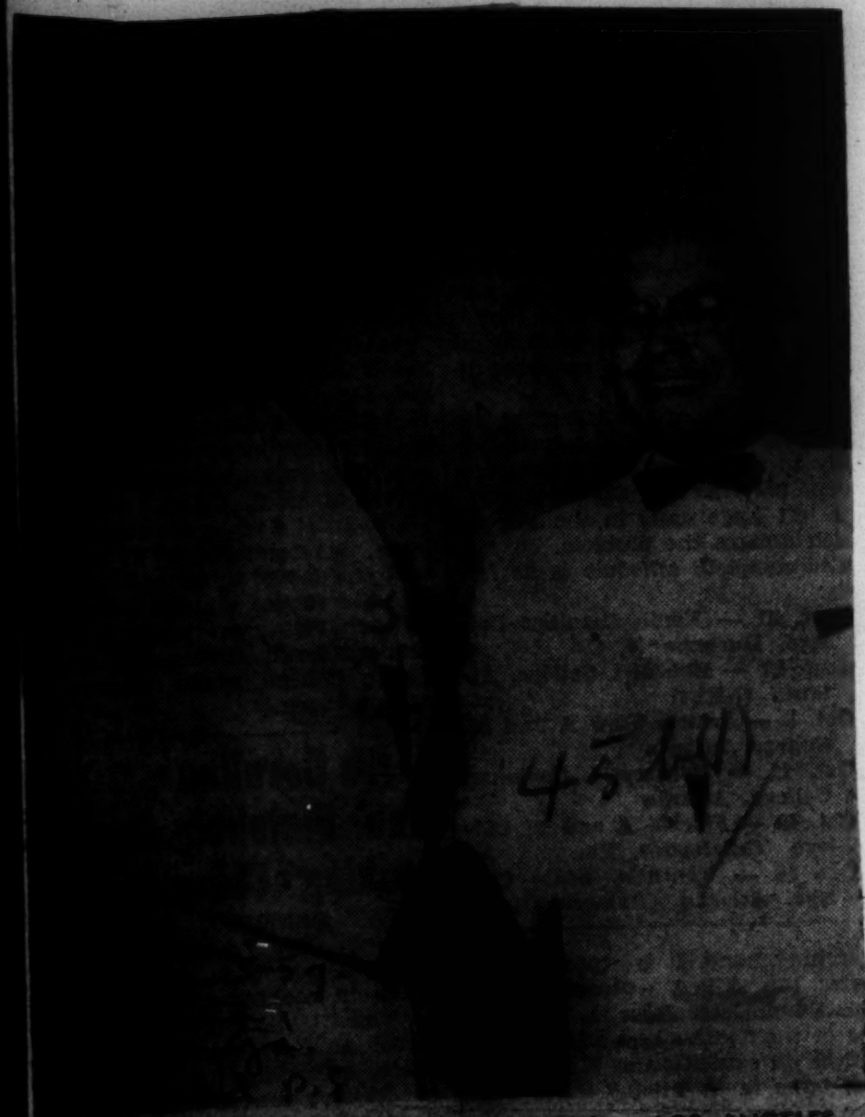

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PAIGE NAMED ALPHA HEAD — LOS ANGELES — ...Fraternity in annual session here culminated ...year by electing Judge Myles A. Paige of New York ...President. Judge Paige, in his second bid for the office, ...Walter H. Williams of Jackson, Mississippi, and Byron ...of Berkeley, California. Frank L. Stanley, retiring General ...of Louisville, Kentucky, did not seek reelection.

...its support of the ... Alpha awarded ... fellowships to its lit... Henry A. Callis ... and Nathaniel ... James E. Bruce and ... Roy Wilkins ... of the convent... presented the ... Wilkins was the ... Alpha Medal of ... distinguished service in ... human relations.

...Frank Madison Reid of the A. M. ... Church; Attorney A. T. Walden ... Atlanta, Georgia, who was award... the Alpha Award of Honor for ... many years of leadership; Olive... ... Virginia and Founder George B. ... Calloway.

Social activities included many ... beach parties, golf tournaments ... to Disneyland and Hollywood, ... at the spacious and beautiful ... Hollywood Palladium. The closed ... banquet and dance attracted over ... Alphas and their guests. The ... general convention was set ... December, 1958 at either Washington or Philadelphia.

Courier Pittsburgh Pa. 4-13-57

Frat Race—

William Byron Rumford, a member of the California Legislature and of Berkeley (Calif.) pharmacist, has announced that he is a candidate for the office of general president of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity.

Alphas' Summer Date

The Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity has announced that its 43rd general convention will be held in Los Angeles August 23-24.

This definitely means that this fraternity has left the ranks of the boys and joined the men.

For more than 50 years, this college Greek letter organization has held its convention during the Christmas holidays, which was the best time for students to attend.

And now it has changed the convention date to the summer months when most students will be at work earning money for next year's tuition or attending summer school.

The change in date indicates the fraternity is now placing more emphasis on its graduate members than on students.

This could mean its aim now is to build up an adult fraternity to vie with the Elks, the Odd Fellows, the American Legion and the Masons, all of whom convene during the warm months.

If this experiment proves successful, the Alphas may keep the summer date for conventions and be joined by other Greek letter groups.

If not, they will have to revert to the old Christmas holidays meetings.

EARNEST WALLACE

Dallasite Is Alphas' New Gen Secretary

(CHICAGO) — Frank L. Stanley, General President of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity announced that the Executive Council had appointed Earnest L Wallace of Dallas, Texas as the General Secretary to succeed James E Huger.

Wallace, a graduate of Fisk University with graduate work at the University of Southern California, is serving as Regional Director for the State of Texas. In addition to his activities in Alpha Wallace has been quite active in the Fisk Alumni Association and many civic organizations in Texas.

Huger, after six years as General Secretary, has resigned to become the Administrative Assistant to the President of Bethune-Cookman College. Wallace will join the staff on 15 July.

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The executive council of Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity has apopinted Ernest L. Wallace of Dallas, Tex., as general secretary to succeed James E. Huger.

Alphas To Honor Austin T. Walden

CHICAGO. — Attorney Austin T. Walden, a practicing attorney in Atlanta, Ga., will be the recipient of Alpha Phi Alpha's 1957 ALPHA AWARD OF HONOR. This award will be given at the 43rd General convention banquet on Saturday, Aug. 24, in the Pacific ballroom of the Hotel Statler in Los Angeles at which time Attorney Walden will deliver the banquet address.

AUSTIN T. WALDEN

A graduate of Atlanta university and the University of Michigan, Attorney Walden has distinguished himself in both local and national affairs.

He served as a captain in World War I and has served for 35 years as chairman of the board of trustees of the Wheat Street Baptist church. His other community activities include 15 years as the chairman of the board of directors, of the Butler Street YMCA, membership on the city executive committee of Atlanta, and general counsel for the National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc.

Attorney Walden was the recipient of two honorary degrees in 1950 one from the Morehouse college and the other from the Atlanta university.

Alpha To Award Medal Of Honor To Roy Wilkins

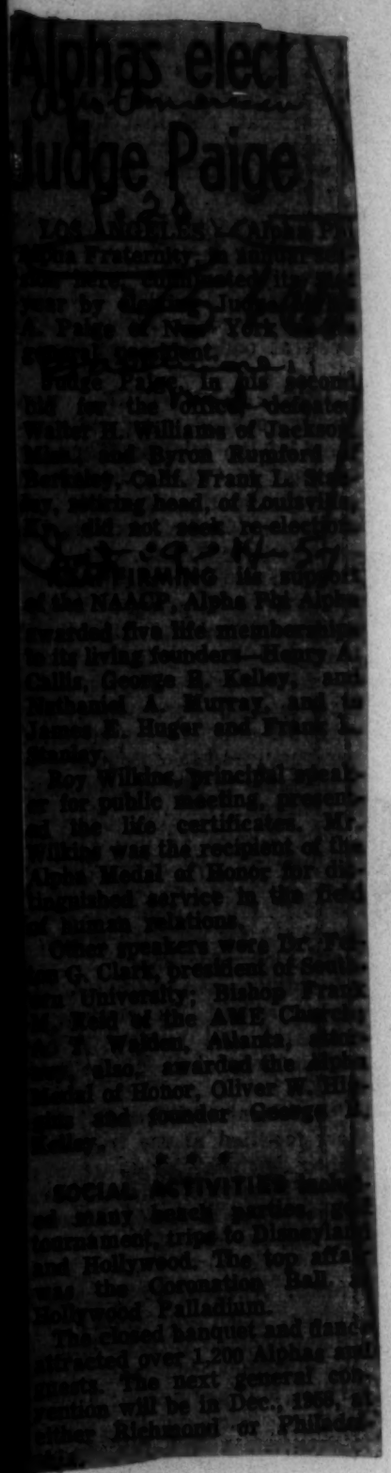
Daily World Fri. 8-9-57 P.6

ROY WILKINS

LOS ANGELES — (ANP) — Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., will award Roy Wilkins, executive secretary of the NAACP, the Alpha Medal of Honor during its 43rd general convention here, August 21-24.

Wilkins, who has been with the NAACP since 1932, is recognized as a leading spokesman on Civil Rights He will make the principal address at the Fraternity's public meeting August 23. As further evidence of its active support of the NAACP, Alpha Phi Alpha has purchased life memberships for its three living founders and its retiring General President and General Secretary. Wilkins will present these in person.

In recent weeks, Mr. Wilkins has been very prominent in the current Senatorial Civil Rights Controversy. He will give the convention a full report on latest developments.



Alphas elect
Judge Paige

Los Angeles Es[illegible] Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, is shown [illegible] by Supreme Court Justice [illegible] A. Paige of New York [illegible] Supreme Court.

Judge Paige, in his second bid for the Supreme Court, defeated Walter H. Williams of Tuskegee, Ala., Dr. Byron Rumford of Berkeley, Calif., Frank L. Stanley, retiring head, of Louisville, Ky., who did not seek re-election.

ELECTRIFYING the audience at the NAACP Alpha Phi Alpha awarded five life memberships to its living founders. Henry A. Callis, George B. Kelley, and Nathaniel A. Murray, and to James E. Huger and Frank L. Stanley.

Roy Wilkins, principal speaker for public meeting, presented the life certificates. Mr. Wilkins was the recipient of the Alpha Medal of Honor for distinguished service in the field of human relations.

Other speakers were Dr. Kelly G. Clark, president of Southern University; Bishop Frank M. Reid of the AME Church; [illegible] Walden, Atlanta, Ga., also awarded the Alpha Medal of Honor, Oliver W. Hill, Va. and founder George [illegible] Stanley.

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SOCIAL ACTIVITIES included many beach parties, golf tournament, trips to Disneyland and Hollywood. The top affair was the Coronation Ball at the Hollywood Palladium.

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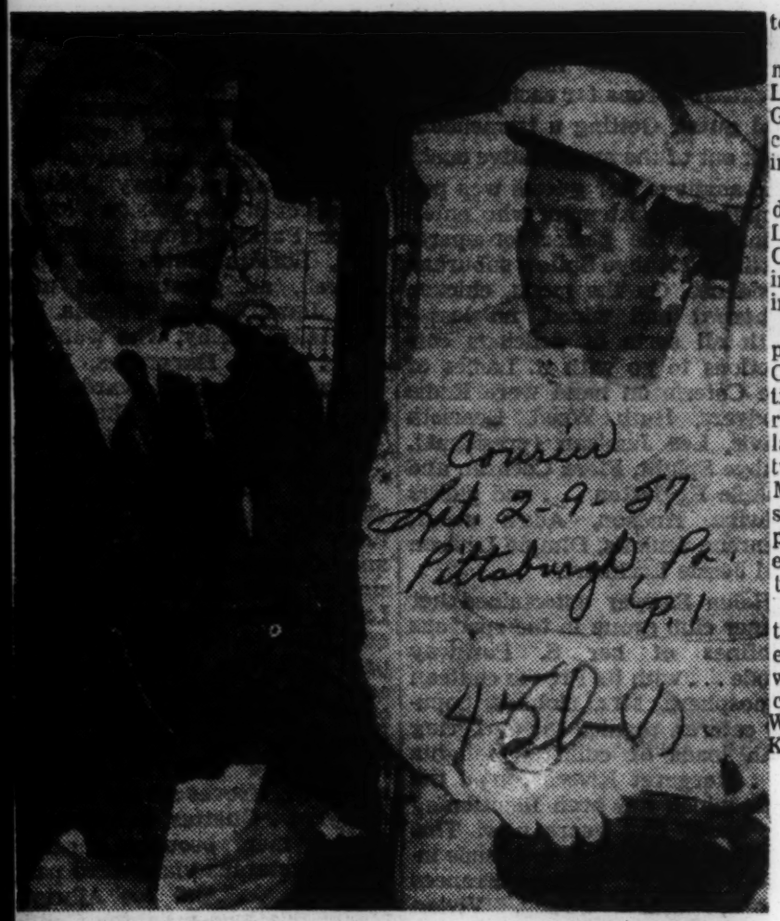

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HONORED—Dr. Samuel P. Massie (left), Fisk University chemistry department head, and Edward M. Porter, Vanderbilt University law student, have received the 1956 Achievement Awards (graduate and undergraduate) of Nashville's four Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity chapters. The presentation was made at the Founders Day banquet of the fraternity.

Kappas Hold 35th Annual Regional Conference Here

Call Fri 4-26-57 P. 20 Kansas City, Mo.

The Kansas City Alumni chapter of the Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity was host to delegates and members at the 35th annual Midwestern Provincial Council held April 12-14 with headquarters at the Pickwick hotel. 45b(1)

There were 87 members in attendance from Oklahoma, Colorado, Kansas, and Missouri. They met to discuss current business of the fraternity. Wyatt Jeltz, provincial polemarch, presided at the meetings.

Friday, April 12, a public meeting was held jointly with the Links at the First Baptist church in kansas City, Kas. As guest speaker, Mrs. Edith Sampson of Chicago, Ill., former United Nations delegate, spoke to a near-capacity crowd. Mrs. Sampson related experiences of extreme interest and her message was well received by everyone present.

The Council convened Saturday morning at the Pickwick. "Training For Leadership," was its theme. Delegates from the various chapters gave progress reports on their efforts of training for leadership known by the fraternity as its Guide Right Movement.

The problems of the under graduate chapters, including rushing, relations with alumni chapters and membership integration, were discussed at length.

Topics of provincial as well as National interest were discussed with possible solutions to situations that occur at all levels of the fraternity.

Saturday evening, all members met for a closed banquet with Lewis Clymer as toastmaster. Guests of honor included many local men and a number of visiting members.

The guest speaker, C. G. Damel, director of Public Relations at Lincoln University in Jefferson City, delivered a forceful speech in keeping with the theme, Training For Leadership.

In the line of achievement, the promotion of Henry Perry to Lt. Colonel, was noted; the contributions to basketball made by Maurice King and Wilton Chamberlain were noted; and the fact that two plaques had been presented to Maurice King in recognition of such achievement. All members present were commended for their efforts toward achievement in all their respective fields.

The Beau Brummel club was the scene of the final social gathering for members and guests, at which the Kansas City Alumni chapter was host. Hartzell J. Whyte is the polemarch of the Kansas City Alumni chapter.

Kappas vote withdrawal from American Council

Los Angeles, Calif. Tribune

Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity voted in its 47th Grand Chapter session at the Alexandria hotel here this week to withdraw from the American Council on Human Rights, publicized 'political action arm' of the Greekletter groups, because of "the unresolved impracticalities continuingly apparent in the ACHR purpose." P. 2

The action, which was not unexpected, left the ACHR now supported by four sororities, Alpha Kappa Alpha, Delta Sigma Theta, Sigma Gamma Rho, and Zeta Phi Beta, brother fraternities Alpha Phi Alpha, and Phi Beta Sigma having withdrawn quietly sometime ago. Omega Psi Phi never joined. Wed 8-21-57

Some 500 delegates, plus hundreds of visitors are in Los Angeles for the conclave, which ran into the 43rd annual convention of Alpha Phi Alpha, opening today at the Hotel Statler, to bring some 4000 delegates, their families and visitors to Los Angeles for the two events.

Kappas voted their 50th anniversary convention in August, 1961, to Bloomington, Ind., where at Indiana university, the fraternity was founded. They approved the idea of a "School of Leadership Training", growing out of the convention theme, "Training for Leadership," and will complete plans for it next year in Detroit.

The convention opened last Sunday with a public meeting at Bovard auditorium on the University of Southern California campus, with the Rev. Ralph D. Abernathy, of Montgomery, second in command of the Montgomery bus boycott, as speaker.

TRAINED LEADERSHIP ACCOMPLISHES "NO MATTER WHAT"

"The greaest need of the hour is trained leadership", the southern leader said.

"Without leadership, we are left here in the wilderness on the outskirts of freedom. Men of Kappa Alpha Phi, you as college trained men, should rise and accept the challenge of the future. . . .

"Don't hide behind your pins and call yourselves great. Only if you lift fallen humanity and furnish leadership will you be worthy of wearing your fraternity pins.

"Trained leadership", the Rev. Abernathy concluded, "accomplishes, no matter what the situation. The degree to which we achieve trained leadership will determine the extent to which we attain true freedom."

Willie Williams, of Dallas, Tex. honor student and star athlete at Los Angeles State college, told 162 men at an undergraduate symposium, "Seek education for leadership. . . . To go anywhere, we must gain a purpose in life. . . . We must preserve the searching mind."

The convention will close tomorrow with the annual election of officers. There is expected to be no major change in the administration of the fraternity, with C. Rodger Wilson, Illinois State Employment official, of Chicago, expected to be retained in the office of Grand Polemarch to put into effect the new charter for Kappa which he sponsored.

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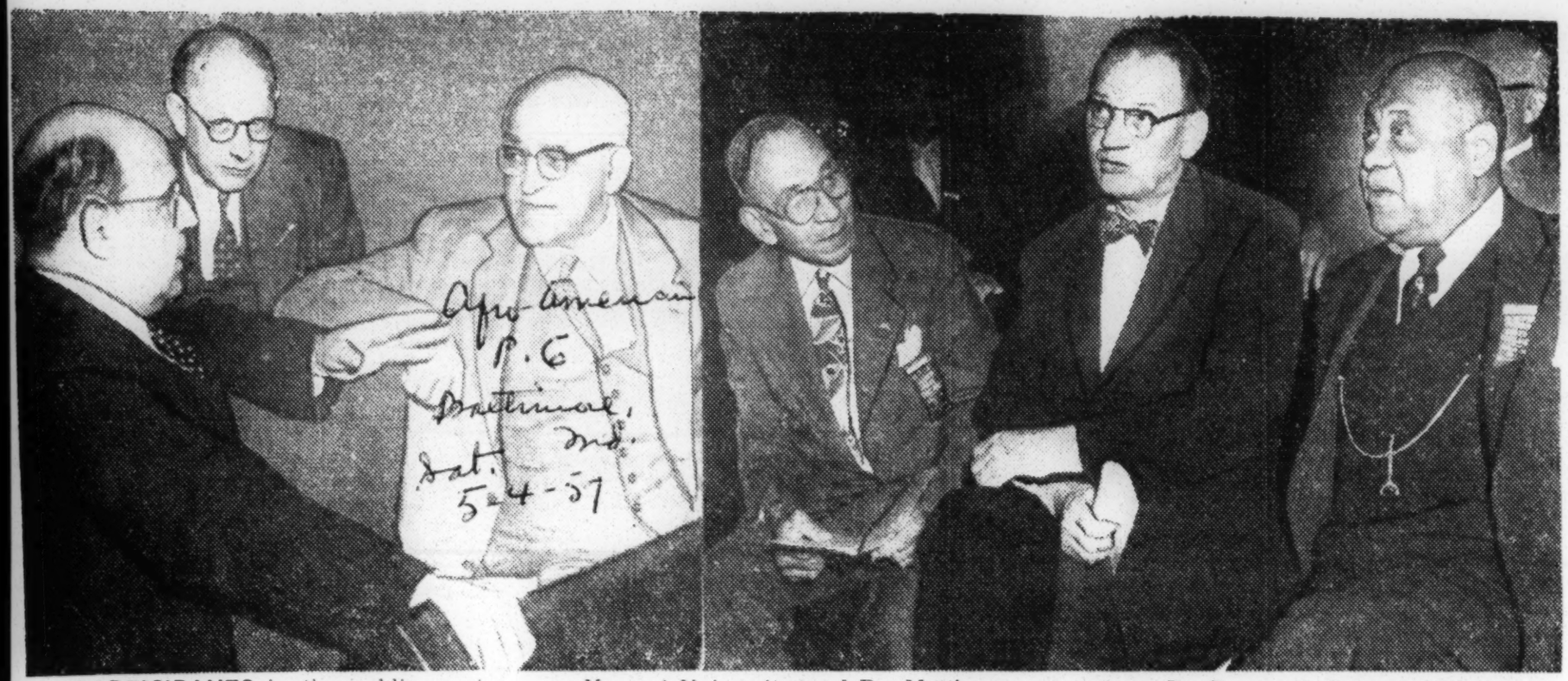

PARTICIPANTS in the public meeting of the grand conclave of Chi Delta Mu Fraternity on Monday evening at Sharp Street Methodist Church. The 44-year-old fraternity composed of physicians, dentists and pharmacists, cited three persons for public service, Governor McKeldin, Dr. Mordecai Johnson, president of Howard University, and Dr. Matthew Hadley, McKeesport, Pa., physician. In photo at left, Dr Johnson chats with Dr. Huntington Williams, commissioner of health of Baltimore, who brought greetings; and Dr. D. O. W. Holmes, president emeritus of Morgan, the main speaker. In right photo, Dr. Roscoe C. Brown of Washington, who introduced Dr. Johnson; Dr. Perry F. Prather, director of the State Health Department who brought greetings; and Dr. Ralph Young, who presented Judge Everett Lane, who represented Governor McKeldin, who is visiting in Liberia.

Alphas, Kappas, Sigmas hold regional meetings in Memphis

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Regional conferences of three college Greek-letter fraternities were held here, the past weekend, and scores of delegates and visitors were on hand for a full round of activities ranging from the closed business sessions to a series of gala social affairs.

Visitors included delegates to the Southern Regional Conference of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, and to regional conferences of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, and Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity.

The Sigmas held their business sessions on the campus of Owen College. The Kappas and Alphas met on the campus of LeMoyne College, the former at Bruce Hall, and the latter in the administration building, Brownlee Hall.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES were largely carried out by co-ordinating committees representing all three fraternities. They included the tri-regional dance Friday evening, at Club Ebony, located on Beale Street; the Fashion Brunch, at Club Flamingo, Hernando Street; and the Memphis Pan-Hellenic Dance, Club Ebony. The latter two affairs were given Saturday afternoon and evening respectively.

THE REV. Martin Luther King Jr., just back from an extended trip to the newborn nation of Ghana, formerly the Gold Coast of West Africa, and world-famed leader of the bus boycott at Montgomery, Ala., was guest speaker at the public program, Friday evening, at Metropolitan Baptist Church.

Alphas here for the conference included Frank L. Stanley Sr., Louisville, Ky., publisher, and general president of the fraternity; Dr. M. L. Harris, president of Philander Smith College, Little Rock, Ark.; Gentry J. Richardson Jr., of Indianapolis, former member of the Indiana State Legislature; Meredith G. Ferguson, Nashville, and general treasurer of Alpha Phi Alpha;

W. H. (Duke) Williams, president of the Security Life Insurance Company, Jackson, Miss., and one of the three candidates for the General Presidency of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity; Dr. William H. Hale, of Clark College, Atlanta, Ga., and director of Education for Alpha; Dr. Aaron Brown, of the Phelps-Stokes Fund, New York; Dr. Lionel Newsome, of Southern University, Baton Rouge, La.; Dean P. R. Shy, of Lane College, Jackson, Tenn.; Sidney Williams, of Chicago, highlighted the "bull session" at the smoker with pertinent observations of his trip to Ghana; and James E. Huger, of Chicago, general secretary of Alpha Phi Alpha, who presented a film on the Golden Anniversary convention at Buffalo, N.Y.

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KAPPA ALPHA PSI

Kappa Conclave To Hear Leaders

Defender Sat. 8-17-57

Chicago Ill.

Three outstanding civil rights and civic leaders will be featured speakers when Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity holds its 47th Grand Conclave Aug. 18-22 in Los Angeles, Calif.

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These speakers will be the Rev. Ralph D. Abernathy of Montgomery, Ala., prominent leader in the overcoming of bus segregation in that city; Atty. Loren Miller, civil rights attorney of Los Angeles, and the Rev. Hyman B. Mills of Chicago, religious and civic worker of Chicago. All these are Kappas.

Host chapter will be the Los Angeles Alumni with Robert Green, polemarch. Lamar O. Shipp is general chairman of conclave activities for the host chapter.

C. Rodger Wilson, grand polemarch, of Chicago will preside over the various sessions.

A youthful leader, Rev. Abernathy is vice president of the Montgomery Improvement Association, the group that sponsored the famous bus boycott and forced the end of racial segregation on city buses.

He will address the public meeting at 4 p.m., Aug. 18 in Bovard Hall on the campus of the University of Southern California. His topic will be "Destination: Freedom!"

In Montgomery, he is pastor of First Baptist church, the church in which the National Baptist Convention, Inc., the world's largest Negro religious organization, was founded. He is a graduate of Alabama State college with honors and of Atlanta university.

Rev. Mills will be the featured speaker in a radio broadcast on Aug. 18. He is pastor of St. Mary AME church in Chicago. Born in Vicksburg, Miss., he was reared in Chicago. He is a graduate of Wilberforce university, the Worsham School of Mortuary Science, Garrett Theological Seminary and Northwestern university. He also has studied music.

Atty. Miller will address the annual Grand Chapter Banquet on Aug. 21. His topic will be "Leadership in Tomorrow's World."

He has fought numerous civil rights cases in California courts, especially in the field of housing. He is a member of the National Legal Committee of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and chairman of the West Coast Regional Legal Committee of the NAACP.

Born in Nebraska, he has studied at the University of Kansas and Howard university. He received his law degree from Washburn college of Law in Topeka, Kan.

A full program of civic, business and social activities have been planned for this session which is expected to attract nearly 1,000 people to Los Angeles.

Kappa Alpha Psi To Hold 47th Grand Chapter Meeting

Defender Thurs. 8-15-57 P. 16

Louisville Ky.

Los Angeles — More than 1,000 Kappas and friends will participate in "Operation Los Angeles" beginning Sunday, August 18, and ending Wednesday, August 22, during the 47th Grand Chapter meeting of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity.

"We are planning to have the greatest convention in Kappa history," C. Rodger Wilson of Chicago, grand polemarch, declared.

The theme will be "Training for Leadership." On this point, the conclave will feature three outstanding speakers and a 3-pronged business agenda designed to make the fraternity streamlined in its operation.

For relaxation, the Kappas have planned a variety of social events in leading entertainment centers of the host city. Hotel Alexandria in downtown Los Angeles will be the

REV. RALPH ABERNATHY

headquarters for the meeting.

Featured speakers will be:

The Rev. Ralph Abernathy, vice president of the Montgomery, Ala., Improvement Association; the Rev. Hyman B. Mills, pastor of St. Mary AME Church, Chicago; and Atty. Loren Miller, newspaper publisher and civil rights lawyer.

Rev. Abernathy will address a public meeting at 4 p.m. Sunday in Bovard Hall on the campus of the University of Southern California. He is pastor of the First Baptist Church in Montgomery, treasurer of the newly organized Southern Leadership Conference, a member of the executive board of the Montgomery Branch NAACP, and a member of the American Sociological Society. He will speak on "Destination: Freedom."

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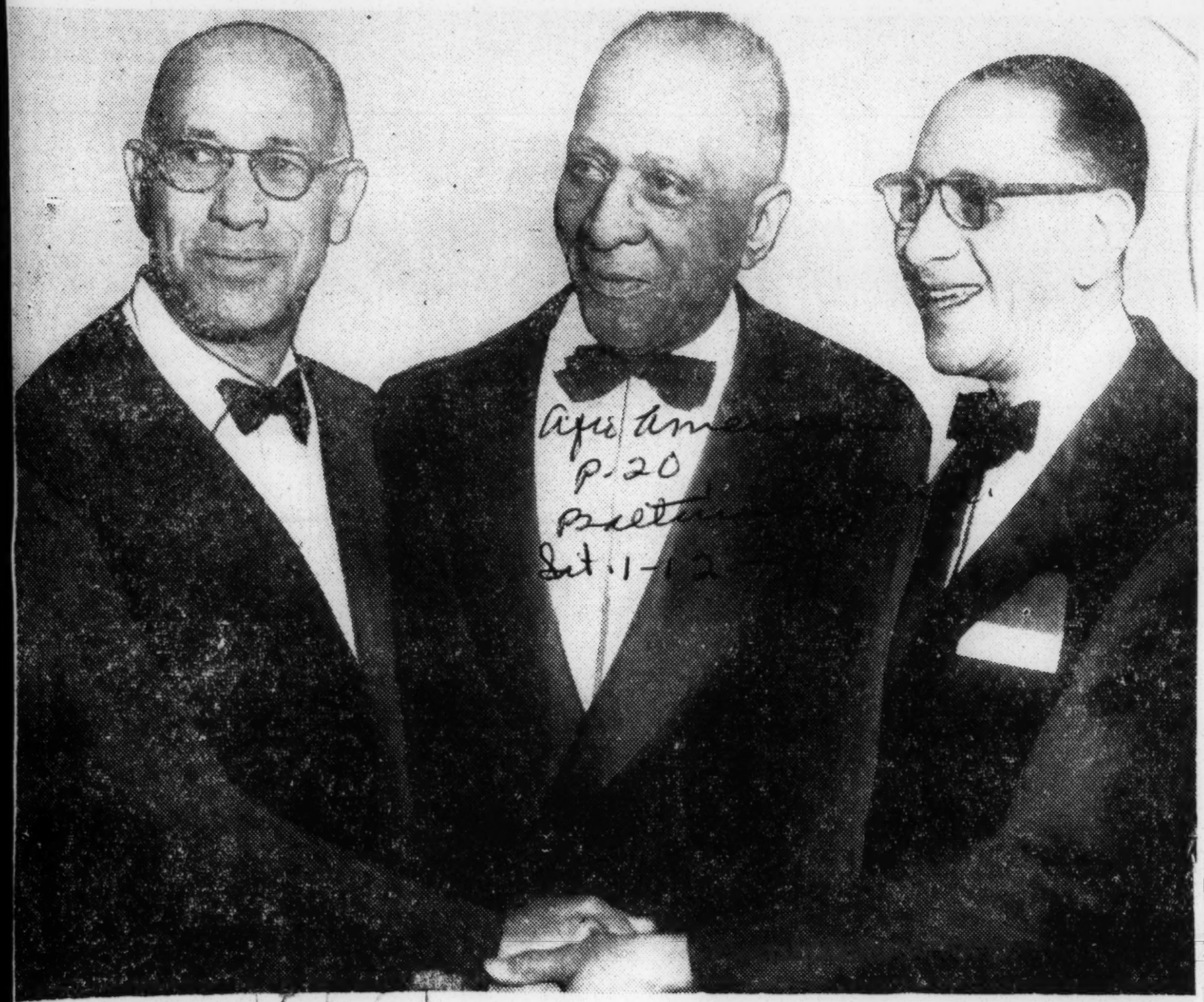

THE FOUNDING FATHERS — The three living founders of the Omega Phi Psi Fraternity are shown together above. Honored by the fraternity at its 43rd annual closed banquet in Baltimore Saturday night, they paused to remember 1911 at Howard University the year when the three began the first Greek-letter fraternity to be founded in our colleges. They are, left to right Bishop Edgar A. Love, Baltimore; Dr. Frank Coleman, Washingon, D.C.; and Dr. Oscar Cooper, Philadelphia.

300 To Attend From District 9

Defender Sat. 4-20-57 P. 21
Chicago Ill.

NEW ORLEANS — (ANP) — New Orleans Greeks are busy this week dusting off the welcome mat and laying out the red carpet for more than 300 delegates to the two-day conference of the ninth district of the Omega Psi Phi fraternity, Inc., which opens here on Good Friday morning, April 19, according to Cecil E. Carter, district marshal.

Rho Phi chapter, which consists of graduate members, will play host. Headquarters will be established in the Dryades Street Y. M. C. A. with David Coleman as chapter basileus.

Among the national and regional officers of the fraternity who are scheduled to address the meeting will be Grand Basileus Herbert Carl Moultrie, Washington, D. C., national executive secretary and F. Rivers Barnwell, Fort Worth, Texas, the ninth district representative.

Theme of the 1957 meeting will be "Techniques for Full Participation in Our American Culture".

Registration of brothers from Louisiana, Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas and New Mexico, will begin on Friday morning followed by business sessions in the main auditoriums of the Dryades Street YMCA.

A public meeting is scheduled in Coss Hall on the campus of Dillard university on Friday night and a closed smoker in the Ponchartrain Room on Lincoln Beach. Sessions on Saturday will include a public panel discussion on the Dillard campus during the morning followed by a business session on Saturday afternoon.

A Founders Banquet will be held on Saturday followed by a dance party at the Autocrat club for visiting Greeks of the fraternity and New Orleans professional, social and business and educational leaders.

Omegas Gird For Civil Rights Fight At Meet

BALTIMORE, Md. — The Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, holding its 43rd annual grand conclave here on December 27-30, urged its members to "use every lawful means" in the elimination of racial segregation and discrimination from American life.

In a set of resolutions adopted at the final session, the group strongly condemned the following: "purpose, method and procedure" of the study of the Davis Subcommittee of the House District committee on desegregation of the Washington D. C., public schools; the practice of disfranchisement of Negroes in certain states; those who defy or delay implementation of the Supreme Court decree on desegregation of public schools; those seeking to perpetuate separation of races in public transportation and discriminatory patterns in employment on account of race. The conclave, also, condemned recent attacks on the NAACP as "oppressive and un-American" and called upon the membership to work towards the elimination of all segregation in housing.

The four-day meet, held on the Morgan State College campus, drew a total registration of a few more than 700-persons, but local newspapers estimate another 800-visitors were on hand because of the event. The local Pi Omega chapter, headed by B. C. Whitten, was host to the mammoth gathering. Linwood G. Kgoer, Baltimore magistrate, grand marshall, was in charge of local arrangements.

Conducted on the theme, "Wanted: Techniques For Strengthening and Furthering Our Democratic and Christian Heritage", the conclave cited Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., famed leader of the Montgomery, Alabama bus boycott, as "Citizen of the Year" for 1956. Following the presentation of the plaque at the Founders' Banquet, he delivered one of the principal addresses. Other persons cited at the banquet, the main social affairs of the conclave, included: Dr. John C. Oliver, Washington, D. C., as "Omega Man of the Year" and Earle Clowney, Spartanburg, S. C., a student at Livingstone College, Salisbury, N. C., as "Scholar of the Year," both for 1956.

The two awards for 1955, delayed by reason of an advance in conclave date for that year, were presented to Asa T. Spaulding, Durham, N. C., as "Citizen of the Year" and to Rev. F. Rivers Barnwell, Fort Worth, Texas, as "Omega Man of the Year."

The three-living founders of the fraternity, Dr. Edgar A. Love, Baltimore; Dr. Oscar Cooper, Philadelphia, Pa., and Dr. Frank Coleman, Washington, D. C., special honorees at the occasion, presented brief remarks.

Another member of the King family, Mrs. Coretta Scott King, wife of the Alabama civil rights leader, took a prominent role at the conclave. As guest artist, she sang herself into the hearts of those attending the annual Talent Hunt Demonstration, a national project of the fraternity. The program, conducted under the supervision of J. Alston Atkins, Winston-Salem, N. C., chairman of the National Talent Hunt Committee, was held at the Sharp Street Memorial Methodist Church.

Other persons appearing on the concert, all finalists in district Talent Hunts, included: Miss Evelyn Mack, Onancock, Va.; Miss Naomi L. Johnson, Philadelphia, Pa.; Miss Doris Jean Duncan, Asheville, N. C.; Miss Lois Jean Wheeler, Nashville, Tenn.; Miss Lorice L. Stevens, Washington, D. C.; James Edward Barrett, Beckley, W. Va. and Miss Harriett Stockton, Ocala, Fla. W. Sanford Allen, New York City violinist, appeared, also as a guest artist.

Harvey Van Buren, Jr., Statesboro, Ga., a John Hay Whitney Fellow at the University of Indiana, former winner of one of the districts Talent Hunts, was the official accompanist.

Herbert E. Tucker, Boston, Mass., attorney and grand basileus of the fraternity, announced that more than one-half of the 251 chapters of the fraternity had paid part or full payments on life memberships in the NAACP. During the first year of a two-year drive he stated that Omega chapters had paid more than $15,000 in the effort.

Mortgages on fraternity headquarters property in Washington, D. C., were burned at a special ceremony held on Saturday.

Other speakers who appeared during the convention, included: Dr. Warmoth T. Gibbs, president of A & T College, Greensboro, N. C., "How To Improve Relations Between College and Fraternity"; Dr. Walter N. Ridley, Petersburg, Va., head, Department of Sociology, Virginia State College, "Manners and Morals in Fraternities"; Dr. James M. Nabrit, Washington, D. C., secretary of Howard University, "The Northern Viewpoint on Integration"; Fred Gray, Montgomery, Ala., attorney for the Alabama Improvement Association, "The Southern Viewpoint on Integration"; Bishop Love on "The Friendship of Omega".

The group was welcomed by Dr. Martin Jenkins, president of Morgan State College.

Visiting Omegas were guests at a merry round of entertainment. Among the top social events were: a "Get Acquainted Party", a formal dance by the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, the annual Mardi Gras, given by the Baltimore Omegas and a concluding formal dance given by the Baltimore Inter-Fraternity Council. The visiting wives and sweethearts were entertained daily by the Baltimore Quettes.

Only one new officer was added. Fred Moore, Charleston, S. C., a student at Allen University, Columbia, S. C., elected as second vice grand basileus. Other officers to serve during 1957, include Attorney Tucker, grand basileus; J. T. Brooks, Montgomery, Ala., first vice grand basileus; W. H. Riddick, Norfolk, Va., grand keeper of records and seal; J. B. Blayton, Sr., Atlanta, Ga., grand keeper of finance; Ellis F. Corbett, Greensboro, N. C., editor of the Oracle and Carl A. Earles, Los Angeles, Calif., grand Counsellor. H. Carl Moultrie, I' Washington, D. C., is national executive secretary.

Omega award to bus boycott leader

BALTIMORE

Dr. Martin L. King, eminent leader of the Montgomery bus boycott, and Asa T. Spaulding, North Carolina Mutual Insurance executive and personal envoy of President Eisenhower, were awarded the coveted Omega Citizens' Awards by the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity here Saturday night.

The awards were presented at the fraternity's Founders' Banquet that climaxed the 43rd Grand Conclave.

The four-day convention met Dec. 27-30 at Morgan State College.

Over 2,000 visitors and friends of delegates attended the banquet held in the Fifth Regiment Armory.

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DURING THE banquet, the fraternity's annual Omega Men Awards went to Dr. John Oliver, of Washington, and F. River Barnwell, of Ft. Worth, Texas.

Dr. King, a member of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, was co-receiver of the highest Omega award for his work in leading the successful Montgomery, Ala., bus boycott.

"He stands out, and will stand out as a man among men in this entirely new approach to desegregation," said Herbert E. Tucker Jr., grand basileus of the awarding fraternity.

"Because of his youth," Mr. Tucker said of Dr. King, "it may be said that 'a youth shall lead us.'"

Dr. King, a minister, is pastor of Montgomery's Bethel Baptist Church. He is 27.

"Certainly he is a living exponent of what divine inspiration can give us," Mr. Tucker said.

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MR. TUCKER, a Boston attorney, was similarly high in his praise of Mr. Spaulding who also received the Citizens' Award.

Mr. Tucker praised Mr. Spaulding for becoming a licensed insurance actuary, an expert in insurance risks and premiums.

Mr. Tucker said Mr. Spaulding "is one of the few colored persons to cross the racial barriers in insurance."

Recently, Mr. Spaulding was sent by President Eisenhower as the President's personal envoy to the inauguration of President William V. Tubman of Liberia.

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NORMALLY, THE award is limited to one per year, but two awards were made this year to compensate for last year's absence of an award.

No award was made last year, a fraternity spokesman said, because the national meeting was held in Los Angeles in August, too early to make a yearly award.

In actuality, the spokesman explained, Mr. Spaulding represents the 1955 choice, and Dr. King is the outstanding citizen for 1956.

Dr. Oliver, a Washington physician, was chosen as this year's Omega Man of the Year for his "unselfishness and personal sacrifice to the brothers in the D.C. aera" Mr. Tucker said.

He said that Mr. Barnwell was being honored by his fraternity for "more than 20 years of loyal devotion and service to the fraternity."

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DURING THE Friday session, Dr. Walter N. Ridley, head of the department of Psychology at Va. State College, told his Omega brothers that "Fraternities in America are in a most advantageous position in our society so far as leadership in the establishment of high moral standards."

He spoke on "Manners and Morals in Fraternities," at the session held at Hurt gymnasium.

He said that there are three reasons why fraternities hold the balance of power in the struggle for practical morality:

1. The respect which other groups hold for fraternities;

2. The closeness of association in fraternal groups; and

3. The anticipation and readiness of those who join fraternities.

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DR. RIDLEY charged that "we, in general, and Southerners, in particular," pay too much "lip-service to morality."

"Moral values expressed and not acted upon are not worth the expression. Southerners, for example, talk of moral values constantly, but are slow to act upon them consistently."

He told his brothers that "Omega is rooted in and has grown from, and will grow in direct proportion to the attention which we give to our moral values."

"We all have fallen short," he said, adding that "No fraternity is guiltless."

362 Omegas from 29 states at conclave in Baltimore

Afro-American Baltimore, Md.

BALTIMORE—A total of 362 delegates from 29 states and the District of Columbia attended the 43rd grand conclave of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity meeting at Morgan State College, Dec. 27-30.

They were

NORTH CAROLINA

I G. Newton, John Dusenbury, Amos Cox, Coolidge McCoy, Oren McCullough, Robert Teele, Thomas Conrad, Benjamin Neal, Robert C. Williams, Herman Lucas, Robert Miles, William Reed, Robert Reeder, Wm. Goldsborough, Alston Atkins, Zoel Hargrove, Edward Hargrove, Ellis Corbett, L. Larkin and E. E. Holt.

Also, Edward Colfield, John Bias, Romallus Murphy, Gordon Wilkins, J. Philip Thomas, A. Dumas Wilson, Robert Turner, Warmoth T. Gibbs Jr., Samuel Mitchell, Olell Beatty, Vestell Madison, Carlton Boyd, Sylvellie Cloud, Harlene Little, Leroy Walker, Jasper Hayes, Robert Boley, Earl D. Clowney, S. R. McLendon, and Arthur M. Bagley.

OHIO

Cleveland Jackson, Fred Middleton, Ernest Reeves, Leonard Holland, Ralph Briscoe, Birtell Barrow, Earl Smith, Jesse Gibson, Charles Pieters, Herman Nelson, Luther Trice, Charles V. Carr, Leonard C. Archer, and J. Spruill.

SOUTH CAROLINA

Philemon Washington, Robert Shaw Rhodes, John C. Williams, Frank Berry, Jr., John Potts, W. H. Young, Melvin Mattison, Alonzo Suinton, Ladde B. Cook, J. C. Bull, Zoel G. Taylor, Dr. C. C. Brevard, L. H. Hallman, Dewey Duckett, Lewie C. Roacke, Harold Crawford, and Fred Henderson Moore.

TEXAS

Dr. Clarence Flint, Lorenzo Kelly, Steve Gulley, and Yondell Moore.

TENNESSEE

Fred Pickett, S. H. Bronaugh, Alvin Brown, W. F. Nabors, Leslie Beasley, Richard Harris, Z. Alexander Looby, and Howard Driver.

WEST VIRGINIA

George Reaves, Charles Price, Dock Crawford, Willard Brown and Newman M. Goldston.

WASHINGTON

Gray D. Gayton, Hutchins Hutchens, and Everett James.

LOUISIANA

Ira Graham and Herman Selber.

KENTUCKY

Harold Brown.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Ernest Armsteong, Bruce Brown, George Weaver, Dr. Frank Coleman, Russell Capott, Grant Wright, Baisol Oliver, James Morris, Dallas Pace, Walter Wright, William Commack, Horace McLilly, James Priest;

Also Howard Davis, Harry Sanders, Horace Wynn, Robert Medlock, Britton Arrington, Dr. Mathew Whitehead, James Cobb, James Smith Burnett Foster, Alonzo Grigsby, Harold Jewell, Gilbert Batten, John Oliver;

Others were Lemuel Leeper, H. Albion Ferrell, William Porter, J. Mathew Shaw, John Jackson, Roy Levy, Frank Bolden, Wallace Perkins, John Bianchi, Herman Jones, Millard Williams, Thomas Hart; Dennette Harrod;

Edward S. Jones, Jack Ingram, Alphonso Lyons, Fletcher Turner, Walter Brooks, William Martin, William Martin Jr., Everett Carter, Robert Lee, Fred Weaver, Calvin Hughes, Purvis Williams, Ernest Johnson, Finis Gaylord;

Also among the District of Columbia delegates were James Ruffin, Fred Durrah, John Burdnell, Armour Blackburn, Maurice Lawrence, Moses Bowers, James W. Jones, H. Carl Moultrie, Paul Elmore and Alexander Barnes.

MARYLAND

Sinclair Swann Jr., Thomas Frasier, John Bruce, Bishop Edgar Love, Clyde Davis, William Baylor, Andrew Jordan, Craig Means, Willie Dawkins, Talmadge Hill Jr., Harry Parker, Donald Patterson, James Edwards, Charles Caldwell and Earl Lewis.

MICHIGAN

Darwin Belden, Theodore Poole, Abraham Ulmer and Randolph Jackson.

MISSISSIPPI

Sidney Moore, Burnell Coulon, Daniel Martinez, Garrcett Gray, and Felix Dunn.

PENNSYLVANIA

Dr. Oscar Cooper, Samuel Griffie, Norman Johnson, Lowell Bennett, George Lee, James Locks, Clarke Younger, Frederic Clanagan, William Jason Jr., Daniel Dow and Earl Henry Norris.

Also James Rowland, Charles E. Motley, James R. Owens, Edward Perry, Charles B. Tyree, Mifflin T. Gibbs, Robert Chase, Mathew Robinson, Charles Watknis, Claude Bass, Jesse S. Rogers and Samuel C. Johnson.

DELAWARE

William Stevenson, Theodore Wells, Theodore Moses, Martin Roberts, James Hardcastle, E. W. Waters, Daniel Delaney, Thomas Baytop, Richard C. Walker.

NEW YORK

Robert Addison, James Clark, Ralph Evans, Hugh Willoughby, Albert Bryan, LaVaughn Moore, Byron Lewis, Claude Lemoiner, Isaac Frasier, Louis Rainford, Paul Johnson, Richard Carey, Grant Reynolds, Robert Singfield, Hobart Price, Lorenzo Horne, Mark Fisher and Ellwood White;

Others were Nat Burrell, Wendell Alston, Thomas Hyatt, Wilbert Davis, James Douglas, James McNair, Archer Drew, Walter Pinkston, Ages Bryant, J. N. Gill, William M. Poe, Carl McGea, Alvin W. Strong, Gene Plunkett, C. V. Harris, George Mears, Claude McAdams, Thomas Madison, George Grasson and A. H. Johnson.

NEW JERSEY

Rocerick Carter, Wilmoth Roberts, Erma Jones, Norman Hinton, Lindbergh Key, Edwia Bess, Alexander Sardeant, Thomas Williams James Murray, Ulysses Campbell, Zinnerford Smith, Washington T. Nelson, Clive Krygar, Silas Hogan, Earl A. Ellis, Edward A. Wake, Othello Ashe and M. J. Sullivan.

VIRGINIA

Theodore Coleman, John Lewis, Charles Paige, Page T. Curl, Herbert Marshall, Hilary Jones, Frederick Patterson, George Riddick, Samuel Morton, Dr. F. D. Peagler, Anthony Rogers, Robert Murchison, Alvin Morris, Willis Pettis, J. B. Williams, Dr. Joseph A. Riley, A. M. Banks, Wilmer Dillard, A. G. Macklin, Spencer Scott, Reuben Lawson, Walter Ridley, Walter Riddick and Harry Royal.

FLORIDA

Mordecai Walker, Mathew Waters, Odell Roberts, D. W. Perkins, William Adams, Emanuel Hutcheson ond Arthur Scarella.

GEORGIA

C. O. Hollis, Ralph Long, William Gaines, A. B. Blayton, T. T. Fletcher, John Grier, John Jamerson, Melvin and James T. Taylor.

Donald Russell, Bernard Brent, Thomas Sleet, Cary Jacobs, Milo Murray and Benjamin Wilson.

ILLINOIS

Donald Pleas, William Robinson, James Franklin, Albert Clark and Herbert Collins.

MASSACHUSETTS

Vernon Graves, Nathaniel Robertson, Joseph Berry, Charles Martin, Elmer Kountze, W. W Perkins, George White and John Davis.

Also William Scott, Herbert Tucker, Charles Roberson, Chester Gibbs, Harry Elam, Charles Small, Lorenzo Hillard, John Childs, Sidney O. Hall, John Baskerville.

MISSOURI

Vincent Saunders, James Bell and Vaughn Payne.

COLORADO

William Pinkett and Daniel Brockman.

CALIFORNIA

Clarence Morris, Carl A. Earles, Jerry Hodges, Limuary Jordan and Thomos Neusom.

ALABAMA

Willie Robinson, Andrew Walker, Newstall Dowdell, J. T. Brooks and Raymond Johnson.

ARKANSAS

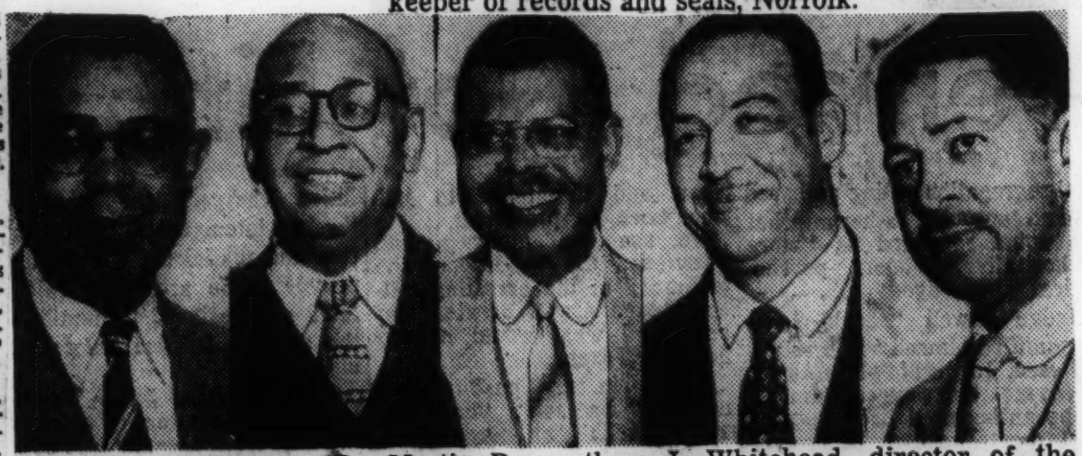
Dr. William Freeman, John Lancaster, James B. James, William Bright.

WISCONSIN

Edward W. Smith.

OMEGA'S 'BIG GUNS' on hand to welcome to Baltimore 1,500 delegates to their 43rd grand conclave were Ernest Reeves, 2nd vice grand basileus, West Virginia State College; J. T. Brooks, 1st vice grand basileus, Alabama State College; Herbert E. Tucker, grand basileus, Boston; and Carl A. Earles, grand councillor, Los Angeles, Calif.

'TOP BRASS'—Other members of the Omega 'high command' are Ellis F. Corbett, editor of the Oracle, Greensboro, N.C.; H. Albion Ferrell, grand chancellor, Washington, D.C.; J. B. Blayton Sr., grand keeper of finance Atlanta; and Walter H. Riddick, grand keeper of records and seals, Norfolk.



GUEST SPEAKER — Dr. Martin D. Jenkins, Morgan College president, is pictured above in Baltimore with national Omega officials, Linwood Koger, grand marshal, Baltimore; Mathew J. Whitehead, director of the achievement program, Washington, D.C.; and Grant Reynolds, chairman of the shrine committee, White Plains. N.Y.

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OMEGA PSI PHI FRATERNITY

Omegas Honor Rev. King and Founding Fathers

Omega Frat Founders— The three living founders of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, which held its 43rd annual grand conclave in Baltimore, Md., were on hand for the event. They are, from left to right: The Right Rev. Edgar A. Love, Baltimore, Bishop of the Methodist Church; Dr. Frank Coleman, Washington, D. C., and Dr. Oscar Cooper, Philadelphia. They were honored guests at the founders' banquet held at the Fifth Regimental Armory.

Citizen of Year— The Rev. Martin L. King, left, famed leader of the bus boycott in Montgomery, Ala., displays the plaque presented him at the grand conclave of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity held at Baltimore, Md. He was named "Citizen of the Year" by the fraternity and was honored at the annual founders' banquet. At his left are Mrs. King, Herbert E. Tucker, Boston, Mass., Grand Basileus of the fraternity, and Mrs. Tucker.

Omega Gets a Queen— When the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity held its 43rd annual grand conclave in Baltimore, Miss Connie Bessellieu, center, New York City, was crowned "queen" at the Mardi Gras, one of the principal social events. She is flanked by Irene Brown, left, Baltimore, and at right by Jacqueline Long, Danville, Va., both attendants, and Herbert E. Tucker, Boston, Mass., Grand Basileus of the fraternity, who did the crowning.

Omegas Announce Winner of 1957 Essay Contest

WASHINGTON.—(ANP) —Three students have been declared winners of the 1957 OMEGA Psi Phi fraternity high school essay contest, the subject being "Wanted: Techniques for Strengthening and Furthering Our Democractic and Christian Heritage." They were adjudged best from a total of 365 essays submitted, according to Dr. Matthew J. Whitehead, chairman and director of the contest.

First prize winner, John J. Flynn, Silver Srping, Md., is a senior at Gonzaga Catholic high school, Washington, D. C. Mr. Flynn was presented a check for $125.

Second prize winner, Helma Miller, a senior at Milwaukee Catholic high school, Milwaukee, Wis., was presented a check for $75.

Third prize winner, Mary Leola Flowers, a senior at the Carver high school, Gadsen, Ala., presented a check for $50.

Essays which were submitted showed the wide geographical distribution of 38 states. The essays were judged on originality, uniqueness, and comprehension.

Judges for the contest were: Dr. Theressa W. Brown, chairman, division of English, District of Columbia Teacher college; Dr. Paul P. Cooke, professor of drama, District of Columbia Teachers college, and Dr. Gertrude B. Rivers, professor of English, Howard university.

Omegas, Baptists Condemn Proposed Anti-Negro Laws

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Separate Resolutions Ask Solons To KO Bills

FROM: NU PHI CHAPTER, OMEGA PSI PHI FRATERNITY

TO: MEMBERS OF THE HARRIS COUNTY DELEGATION 55th LEGISLATURE

WHEREAS, the members of Nu Phi Chapter, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity sincerely believe that the Supreme Court decision in the school segregation cases, as all other Supreme Court decisions, are a part of the basic law of our country, and;

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WHEREAS, it has come to our attention that there is now pending before the Texas Legislature, House Bills 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238 and 239, and;

WHEREAS, we believe the passage of the above enumerated bills would be to the great detriment of the Negro taxpayers of this State and would be in direct contravention of the laws of the United States and to the great disadvantage of all of the taxpaying citizens of this State;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the members of the Nu Phi Chapter, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, urge that you, the members of the Harris County delegation, vote AGAINST the passage of the enumerated bills, and vote against the passage of any bills or legislation that would deprive a segment of the population of this state of the equal protection of the laws.

Fletcher Morgan, Basileus

Baptist Resolution

Draft of Letter to be sent to the Legislature of the State of Texas, convening in Austin, Texas, by authority of the Constituency of The Texas Baptist Convention.

Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Having been led as we believe, by the spirit of God, that you gentlemen, in your proposed legislation concerning the five segregation bills, which, first of all deny the very brotherhood of man and fatherhood of God, and secondly, will in their application, if passed, definitely deprive Negroes as a minority group of their inalienable rights of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness; will also deny the very thing that the Creator of the universe has endowed all mankind with from creation.

We as the constituents of the Texas Baptist Convention do pray that you as representatives of all the people of Texas will not, in your deliberations concerning these measures, omit the weightier matters of the laws of God (Matthew 23:23)-i. e. justice, judgement, mercy, and faith in the infinite good of the individual, as well as a deep sense of human decency, and regard for your fellowmen.

Further, we as a Christian body consider your proposed measures to be evil, spurious, un-Christian, and above all quite un-democratic and if such laws become a part of the life of this state. They will in effect, be damaging to the vitality and general welfare of race relations as well as the general good of all the people of Texas.

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We feel that you, above all, should realize that this legislation will be a great tool, if passed, with which the communists can effectively propagate their evil schemes of propagandizing the world to their way of life.

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Again, we beseech you by the mercies of God, that you pray in a consecrated manner, and reaffirm within yourselves that your final action will be reconciled with the will of God for all mankind.

Respectfully submitted to the Legislators of the State of Texas on this the 21st day of March 1957, by the Constituency of the Texas Baptist Convention.

Dr S T Alexander, President
Dr Earl R Boone, Secretary

Omega speakers hit North-South

By S. E. YETTE

RICHMOND

Fred Gray, Montgomery bus boycott attorney, and Dr. James Nabrit, professor of law at Howard University, gave a double-barreled blast at segregationists on both sides of the Mason-Dixon Line Saturday when the two lawyers addressed separate sessions of the 43rd Grand Conclave of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity at Morgan State College here.

Mr. Gray spoke on "The Southern Viewpoint on Integration," and Dr. Nabrit gave "The Northern Viewpoint on Integration."

Both are members of the fraternity.

SPEAKING IN the morning session, Mr. Gray said:

"As a result of the Southern tradition, most white southerners have come to believe deeply, sincerely, and completely, that they have a God-given right to control colored people."

In his afternoon speech, Dr. Nabrit concurred with Mr. Gray's observation, but he said that the white man's attitude regarding racial equality is world-wide.

Said Dr. Nabrit:

"The whole problem involves a struggle of colored people all over the world to secure equal treatment and equal opportunities with white people.

"THE STRUGGLE of the colored race in the South is just a part of the world-wide picture," he said, adding that "the colored race in the North is just as much a part of it as they are in the South.

"This is true," he said, "because everywhere the white man has not been disposed to treat colored people as equals."

Dr. Nabrit continued: "Of course, the problem is more acute in the South just as it is more acute in South Africa, but it is no more confined to the South in this country than it is to South Africa in Africa."

He said that "segregation in the North shows up in housing, employment and in the advice and counsel given to colored students in the public school systems."

A MEMBER of President Eisenhower's committee on Government contracts, Dr. Nabrit said that a white counselor in a high school in Philadelphia told him that she did not encourage colored students to study engineering and in other highly-competitive and well-paying fields because she was afraid they could not get the jobs, nor was she convinced that they could master the subject matter.

"Therefore," Dr. Nabrit said, "the colored students in the North are conditioned to discrimination and segregation by poor counseling."

Dr. Nabrit, who was the chief counsel in the fight for integration in the Washington schools two years ago, criticized "the northern press" for "trying to take away from us the sympathy of northern whites."

HE CITED one magazine in particular, charging that it pictured the undesirable traits of the colored people as "not really known to northern whites," leading them to believe the colored race worse than it really is, he said.

Mr. Gray, who was the center of a storm that brewed in his state when he was found ineligible for the military draft, gave a fiery, but optimistic, view of the racial situation in the South."

"At this crucial time in American history," he said, I lieve that there is a great deal of soul-searching going on, and that ultimately means that something constructive can and will be done."

"However," he said, "one of the tragedies of the present situation is that in many parts of the South is that the people of both races who want to discuss the question of justice and segregation are afraid to speak.

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"THE WHITE MAN is afraid to say anything even though he knows the colored people are right and that segregation is morally and legally wrong.

"He is afraid because of what other die-hard, unrealistic whites who are attempting to roll back time a hundred years may say and do to him.

"The segregationist," Mr. Gray said, "is disturbed because he is finally discovering that the colored people will no longer accept the position of second-class citizens."

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MR. GRAY said that the recent laws which some Southern states are passing to circumvent integration "just make us more determined."

"They can legislate until doomsday," Mr. Gray said strongly, "but none of these bills will stop the freedom train as it moves toward the distant station of full integration.

"We may slow down for a crossing, or it may be necessary for us to reduce our speed so that we can receive the correct signal given by the flagman, but the wrecking crew is at work, and God rides the train with us, and we are going to arrive into the station of full integration in due time."

MR. GRAY decried the "paternalistic" attitude of the Southern white man in which Mr. Gray said the colored man is expected to look to him for decisions.

"When we started the bus boycott in Montgomery,' he said, "several of our white friends said that we were not requesting too much; but they did not like the methods we were using to obtain our objective.

"They said we issued them 'an ultimatum,' and told us, in effect, "You get back on the buses and then we will decide what we will do about this situation.' "

"We, in Montgomery," he said, "had decided not to beg for what we felt belonged to us by right."

pose, method and procedure" of the study of the Davis Subcommittee of the House District committee on desegregation of the Washington D. C., public schools; the practice of disfranchisement of Negroes in certain states; those who defy or delay implementation of the Supreme Court decree on desegregation of public schools; those seeking to perpetuate separation of races in public transportation and discriminatory patterns in employment on account of race. The conclave, also, condemned recent attacks on the NAACP as "oppressive and un-American" and called upon the membership to work towards the elimination of all segregation in housing.

The four-day meet, held on the Morgan State College campus, drew a total registration of a few more than 700-persons, but local newspapers estimate another 800-visitors were on hand because of the event. The local Pi Omega chapter, headed by B. C. Whitten, was host to the mammoth gathering. Linwood G. Kgoer, Baltimore magistrate, grand marshall, was in charge of local arrangements.

Conducted on the theme, "Wanted: Techniques For Strengthening and Furthering Our Democratic and Christian Heritage", the conclave cited Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., famed leader of the Montgomery, Alabama bus boycott, as "Citizen of the Year" for 1956. Following the presentation of the plaque at the Founders' Banquet, he delivered one of the principal addresses. Other persons cited at the banquet the main social affairs of the conclave included: Dr. John C. Oliver, Washington, D. C., as "Omega Man of the Year" and Earle Clowney, Spartanburg, S. C., a student at Livingstone College, Salisbury, N. C., as "Scholar of the Year," both for 1956.

The two awards for 1955, delayed by reason of an advance in conclave date for that year, were presented to Asa T. Spaulding, Durham, N. C., as "Citizen of the Year" and to Rev. F. Rivers Barnwell, Fort Worth, Texas, as "Omega Man of the Year."

The three-living founders of the fraternity, Dr. Edgar A. Love, Baltimore; Dr. Oscar Cooper, Philadelphia, Pa., and Dr. Frank Coleman, Washington, D. C., special honorees at the occasion, presented brief remarks.

Another member of the King family, Mrs. Coretta Scott King, wife of the Alabama civil rights leader, took a prominent role at the conclave. As guest artist, she sang herself into the hearts of those attending the annual Talent Hunt Demonstration, a national project of the fraternity. The program, conducted under the supervision of J. Alston Atkins, Winston-Salem, N. C., chairman of the National Talent Hunt Committee, was held at the Sharp Street Memorial Methodist Church.

Other persons appearing on the concert, all finalists in district Talent Hunts, included: Miss Evelyn Mack, Onancock, Va.; Miss Naomi L. Johnson, Philadelphia, Pa.; Miss Doris Jean Duncan, Asheville, N. C.; Miss Lois Jean Wheeler, Nashville, Tenn.; Miss Lorice L. Stevens, Washington, D. C.; James Edward Barrett, Beckley, W. Va. and Miss Harriett Stockton, Ocala, Fla. W. Sanford Allen, New York City violinist, appeared, also as a guest artist.

Harvey Van Buren, Jr., Statesboro, Ga., a John Hay Whitney Fellow at the University of Indiana, former winner of one of the districts Talent Hunts, was the official accompanist.

Herbert E. Tucker, Boston, Mass., attorney and grand basileus of the fraternity, announced that more than one-half of the 251 chapters of the fraternity had paid part or full payments on life memberships in the NAACP. During the first year of a two-year drive he stated that Omega chapters had paid more than $15,000 in the effort.

Mortgages on fraternity headquarters property in Washington, D. C., were burned at a special ceremony held on Saturday.

Other speakers who appeared during the convention, included: Dr. Warmoth T. Gibbs, president of A & T College, Greensboro, N. C., "How To Improve Relations Between College and Fraternity"; Dr. Walter N. Ridley, Petersburg, Va., head, Department of Sociology, Virginia State College, "Manners and Morals in Fraternities"; Dr. James

Omegas Grid For Civil Rights Fight At Meet

BALTIMORE, Md. — The Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, holding its 43rd annual grand conclave here on December 27-30, urged its members to "use every lawful means" in the elimination of racial segregation and discrimination from American life.

In a set of resolutions adopted at the final session, the group strongly condemned the following: "pur-

M. Nabrit, Washington, D. C., secretary of Howard University, "The Northern Viewpoint on Integration"; Fred Gray, Montgomery, Ala., attorney for the Alabama Improvement Association, "The Southern Viewpoint on Integration"; Bishop Love on "The Friendship of Omega".

The group was welcomed by Dr. Martin Jenkins, president of Morgan State College.

Visiting Omegas were guests at a merry round of entertainment. Among the top social events were: a "Get Acquainted Party", a formal dance by the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, the annual Mardi Gras, given by the Baltimore Omegas and a concluding formal dance given by the Baltimore Inter-Fraternity Council. The visiting wives and sweethearts were entertained daily by the Baltimore Quettes.

Only one new officer was added. Fred Moore, Charleston, S. C., a student at Allen University, Columbia, S. C., elected as second vice grand basileus. Other officers to serve during 1957, include Attorney Tucker, grand basileus; J. T. Brooks, Montgomery, Ala., first vice grand basileus; W. H. Riddick, Norfolk, Va., grand keeper of records and seal; J. B. Blayton, Sr., Atlanta, Ga., grand keeper of finance; Ellis F. Corbett, Greensboro, N. C., editor of the Oracle and Carl A. Earles, Los Angeles, Calif., grand Counsellor. H. Carl Moultrie, I Washington, D. C., is national executive secretary.

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Citizen Of Year

The Rev. Martin L. King, left, famed leader of the bus boycott in Montgomery, Ala., proudly displays the plaque presented him at the recent grand conclave of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity held at Baltimore, Dec. 27-30.

He was named "Citizen of the Year" by the fraternity and was honored at the annual Founders' Banquet.

At his left are: Mrs. King, Herbert E. Tucker, Boston, grand basileus of the fraternity, and Mrs. Tucker.

Dr. Clement Honored

Dr. Rufus E. Clement, president of Atlanta University, was the principal speaker at the 127th anniversary dinner of the Rhode Island Alpha chapter of Phi Beta Kappa at Brown University where he was initiated as a member of the honorary scholarship fraternity.

Advises Phi Betas On Integration

WASHINGTON, D. C. — (ANP) —Scholars in the chapters of Phi Beta Kappa throughout the U. S. were told this week to face the issue of desegregation squarely.

The advice came from William T. Hastings in the current issue of The Key Reporter. Hastings is president of the United Chapters of Phi Beta Kappa.

"There is another issue," he cautioned, "that some day will confront the Society (Phi Beta Kappa), the race question.

"Up to now, it has merely cast its shadow before it, in the form of a resolution, adopted by the Council of 1955, urging the chapters and members of the Society to support the carrying out of desegregation in public education."

Hastings indicated that inquiries had been made by fellow members of Phi Beta Kappa as to what was actually being done about the resolution. The reply, obviously phrased as not to offend southern pro-segregationists, was that "in accordance with our general policy no program in support of desegregation would be undertaken."

On the other hand, it was asserted, if and when the subject came up in the course of the regular activities of the society, it would be dealt with.

Portsmouth Student In Phi Beta Kappa Fraternity

Paul L. Brown (second from left), ranking sophomore in the College of Liberal Arts at Howard University, is shown as he received the first Alain Locke Memorial Plaque, symbolic of outstanding scholastic achievement during the freshman year. The plaque will be presented annually by the Howard Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, the national scholastic honor fraternity.

It is named for the late Dr. Locke, professor of philosophy-emeritus at Howard, who was instrumental in securing the Phi Beta Kappa charter for Howard. Also shown are (l to r) Henry T. Smith, of Portsmouth, Va., a Liberal Arts senior and member of Phi Beta Kappa; Dr. Frank M. Snowden dean of the College of Liberal Arts, and Dr. Rayford W. Logan professor of history and president of Phi Beta Kappa at Howard. Brown, who lives at 2108 Maryland avenue, NE, Washington, is a graduate of Dunbar High School.

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Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Anderson of Los Angeles, Calif., attended the annual Western Regional Conference of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity in San Francisco. The doctor was a delegate from the Los Angeles chapter of Phi

Phi Beta Sigma Spring Regionals Present Dynamic Programs For 1957

By J. BENJAMIN HORTON, JR.

LOUISVILLE, Ky.—April and May are the months when delegates from many chapters of the Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity's seven regions meet for action on overall activities of each region in its relations with both the national organization as well as the general public. "Civil Rights Through Education And Economic Security" is the theme, covering both the regionals as well as the fraternity's 43rd Anniversary Conclave to be held in Dallas, Texas December 27th-30th. Sigma's Spring Regionals this year representing, perhaps, their most dynamic and challenging programs of the long and rich history of the fraternity, judging by conferences already held, those currently in progress and those which are impending.

The Eastern Regional Conference, Edgar B. Felton of L. I., New York, Director, was held in Boston, Mass., April 5th through 7th with Beta Alpha and Pi Beta Sigma chapters, co-hosts. The meeting emphasized and highlighted, among other things, chapter Constitutions, standardized Crescent Club programs, a Regional Manual on Administration, and a stronger re-activation program.

The Lone Star Regional, Arthur D. McNeal of Texarkana, Tex., Director, met in Houston, Tex., April 19th-20th with Alpha Beta Sigma host chapter. Among other business, the conference discussed, at length, preparations for the 43rd Anniversary Conclave of the fraternity, re-activation of chapters and Undergraduate problems.

The conference of the Southwestern Region, E. Alford Dixon of St. Louis, Mo., Director, held its meetings at Le Moyne College, Memphis, Tenn., April 19-21st with Tau Iota Sigma host chapter. A joint public program with Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity featured the Rev. Martin Luther King of Montgomery, Ala., as principal speaker. Business sessions included, among other things, workshops on the regional structure, chapter responsibilities and re-activation and Undergraduate matters.

The Southern Regional Conference, Alvin J. McNeil of Itta Bena, Miss., Director, will hold its sessions at Alabama State College, Montgomery, Ala., April 26th-27th with Gamma Beta and Alpha Eta Sigma chapters as co-hosts. Among numerous objectives of the conference, chapter re-activation and Undergraduate matters will be the subjects occupying a major place on the agenda. A public program will feature a five minute talk by each of the region's program directors; undergraduates of the region will present a musical.

The Great Lakes Regional, Maurice Moore of Chicago, Ill., Director, will be held in Indianapolis, Ind., April 26th-27th. Xi Sigma will be the host chapter. Among other matters to be discussed will be: re-activation of chapters, the formation of new chapters, the adoption of a Constitution and By-Laws governing the region, and increased emphasis on its Undergraduate program. A social program in cooperation with Omega Psi Phi Fraternity and the National Pan-Hellenic Council, meeting in Indianapolis, simultaneously, has been planned for entertainment of the delegates, and visiting brothers.

The Southeastern Regional, J. C. Duncan of Yanceyville, N. C., Director, meets at Saint Augustine's College, Raleigh, N. C., May 3rd-4th, in conjunction with the Eastern Regional Conference of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority. Among other matters, the conference will consider: Emphasis on a dynamic Youth Program and chapter expansion.

The Western Regional Conference will hold its sessions at San Francisco, Cal., July 12th-13th with Alpha Nu Sigma and Gamma Pi Sigma host chapters.

AT SIGMA REGIONAL—Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity's Southwestern Regional Conference met on the campus of Owen College, Memphis. Among officers shown with some of the delegates above are E. Alfred Dixon of St. Louis, past regional director; Omar R. Robinson Jr., regional director; N. P. Marshall of Little Rock, regional secretary; R. J. Palmer, Little Rock, director of social action; Samuel Peace, associate regional director; J. D. Springer of Memphis, education director; L. C. Dade, Little Rock, chaplain, and Dr. B. F. McCleavy, public relations director and recipient of the regional's social action award.

BIGGER AND BETTER Business Commission pauses briefly for photo during a break between business session of the Phi Beta Sigma fraternity 42nd anniversary conclave in Miami, Fla. Bigger and Better Business department represents one of the three major programs of the fraternity. Left to right in photo (front row) Oliver Wilson and E. Rhudolphus Clemons, national director of Bigger and Better Business. Left to right (back row) James A. Grant, Detroit, Mich.; P. M. Blair, Montgomery, Ala.; Lewis Powell; James Fifer, Chicago; R. A. Hester, ex-national director of Bigger and Better Business Dallas, Texas; Virgil Scott Atlanta, Ga.; Theodore Barnes, Detrtoi, Mich.; Robert Williams, Birmingham, Ala., and Douglas Stewart.

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GREENSBORO, N.C. —Three persons were cited Sunday during a special program at A. and T. College for services in the fields of education, social action and religion and human relations.

The honorees were Dr. Warmoth T. Gibbs, A. and T. president, education; Dr. Leonard F. Morse, dean of Lee Theological Seminary, Jacksonville, Fla., religion and human relations, and J. Kenneth Lee, Greensboro attorney, social action.

All were presented certificates of commendation in behalf of the local Gamma Beta Sigma and Eta Chapters of the Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, sponsors of the annual Founders Day program, held in Harrison Auditorium.

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W. ALLEN COLLETT, a student at the college, made the presentations. Dr. Morse, a founder of the fraternity, delivered the principal address.

Speaking fro the subject "Life and Living," he told the audience, "The biggest business in the world today, our sole cause for being here, is living well ordered and organized lives."

He said that living is not for one's own personal and private enjoyment but for the betterment in the lives of others.

He added that one's life should be so organized as to comply with the laws of God, to repel the inner urges of prejudice, bigotry and selfishness and to understand the importance in life of giving over and above collection and receiving.

He concluded by admonishing his student audience, "We're here to get something to give it."

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OTHER PERSONS appearing on the program included:

James A. Pringle, president of Eta Chapter, and Harold J. Neal, both students at the college; Elwood J. Jones, Brown Summitt; W. I. Morris, Raleigh and E. A. Blair, Greensboro, president of Gamma Beta Sigma Chapter.

Roland McLeod, Winston-Salem, sang a solo and other musical numbers were rendered by the college choir, directed by Howard T. Pearsall.

Jackson College Official Gets Distinguished Service Award

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R. H. Beasley, Comptroller at Jackson State College, Jackson, Mississippi, was the recipient of the Distinguished Service Award and was elected to the Distinguished Service Chapter of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Incorporated, during the Fraternity's 42nd annual Conclave held recently in Miami, Florida. This is an honor bestowed upon Sigma men who have made outstanding contributions to the Fraternity and to the community in which he lives.

Mr. Beasley was nominated for the award on Sunday, February 26, 1956, by Mu Sigma Chapter, Jackson, Mississippi, of which he became a member in 1948 when he came to his present position at Jackson State College. When the Chapter was reorganized in 1949, he was elected president, a position he held until he was elected director of the Southern Region. Beasley was initiated into Psi Chapter, Clark College, Atlanta, Georgia. Graduating from the Atlanta institution in June, 1931, he has also studied at the University of Wisconsin, Wayne University and Atlanta University. In the years following his graduation he has held many positions in the educational profession, such as high school instructor, coach and principal, college instructor and coach. At Fort Valley State College, he served as assistant comptroller and director of extensions. While in the State of Georgia, he was an outstanding worker in the Georgia Teachers Association. As an officer in the Southern Region, Beasley organized or assisted in the organization of the following Chapters: Beta Delta Sigma, Fort Valley, Georgia; Alpha Phi Sigma, Columbus, Georgia; Beta Mu Sigma, Albany, Georgia; Gamma Epsilon Sigma, Meridian, Mississippi; Gamma Mu Sigma, Biloxi, Mississippi; Alpha Pi, Fort Valley State College, Fort Valley, Georgia; and Beta Eta Sigma, Ruston, Louisiana. He has attended all Southern Regional Conferences in the last 10 years, and six National Conclaves.

Mr. Beasley is a Lay Reader in the Episcopal Church, a 32nd Degree Mason, a Shriner, an Elk, and currently a member of the Board of Management of the Farish St. YMCA of Jackson, serving as Chairman of the Budget Committee. In recommending the recipient for the Distinguished Service Award, Mu Sigma Chapter had this to say: "He has been outstanding in community and civic work in two states, Georgia and Mississippi, by serving in the Community Chest, the YMCA, and Boy Scouts of America. At present, he is Chairman of the annual Farish Street Branch YMCA Membership Drive of Jackson, Mississippi. In church work he has been an outstanding layman in the Protestant Episcopal Church, attending many church conferences and heading many important committees, such as Lay Reader, Sunday School Superintendent, Vestry Man, and Director of Summer Camp for the Church in both Georgia and Mississippi. We consider Brother Beasley, a competent administrator, a loyal man of Phi Beta Sigma, an unexcelled organizer, and certainly a reputable citizen, who can and will continue to place our organization on a pedestal of complacency that will prove unsurpassable. Surely, this ardent worker, one who has been imbued with all that Phi Beta Sigma stands for should be elected to membership into the Distinguished Service of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Incorporated."

Sigma Fraternity Releases History

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LOUISVILLE, Ky. — A history of the Phi Beta Sigma fraternity entitled "Our Cause Speeds On" has recently been published. The book was written by two outstanding members of the fraternity, Dr. W. Sherman Savage, professor of history at Lincoln University, Mo., and Dr. L. D. Haddick, professor of history at Alabama State Cllege.

The fraternity was funded in 1914.

SIGMA SYMPOSIUM on Bigger and Better Business during a session of the 42nd anniversary conclave of the Phi Beta Sigma fraternity in Miami, Fla. Left to right in photo: E. Rhudolphus Clemons, national director of Bigger and Better Business, Philadelphia, Pa.; Dr. R. A. Billings, an ex-national president of the fraternity, Atlanta, Ga.; L. I. Alexander, Jacksonville, Fla.; J. H. Beasley, Jackson, Miss., and R. A. Hester, an ex-national director of Bigger and Better Business, Dallas, Texas.

12 Sigmas Honored at Tenn. State

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Twelve members of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc., were cited during the 42nd Founders Day observance of the organization at Tennessee State University.

Because of their "outstanding civic, religious and educational contributions to the community," citations were given Dr. A. V. Boswell Tennessee State University vice president; Dr. John Thomas, physician; Drs. Earl L. Sasser, J. H. Sharpe, M. F. Spaulding and H. L. Taylor, members of Tennessee State's faculty; Coyness Ennix, local attorney and Nashville Board of Education member; Flem B. Otey II, local businessman; John Watkins, university staff member; the Rev. L. L. Haynes, minister of Clark Memorial Methodist Church, and Samuel Robinson, graduate student in the university.

The Rev. Mr. Haynes delivered the Founders Day address from the fraternity's theme, "Meeting the Demands of Democracy."

FRAT AWARDS CITATIONS — W. Allen Collett, left, presents service awards to Dr. Warmoth T. Gibbs, A. and T. president; J. Kenneth Lee, Greensboro attorney, and Dr. Leonard F. Morse of Jacksonville, Fla., founder, on behalf of Eta and Beta Gamma Sigma Chapters of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, as E. A. Blair, Beta, and James A. Pringle, Eta, presidents, respectively, and J. C. Duncan (partly hidden), Reidsville, regional director, look on.

Sigma Business Observance Today At Hungry Club

The Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity will join the Butler Street Y. M. C. A. in sponsoring the regular session of the Hungry Club in connection with the observance of the annual Sigma Bigger and Better Business Week. J. T. Bickers. President of the Lambda Sigma Chapter of the fraternity announced that a capacity crowd of not only Sigmas but a large number of people from the community at large would be in attendance to hear an extremely important subject aired.

Earl H. Metzer, Assistant to the Director of the Atlanta Housing Authority will deliver the direct address and will be joined by R. A. Thompson, of the Atlanta Urban League, and J. B. Blayton Sr., President of the Mutual Federal Loan and Savings Association. These three experts in their respective fields will formulate a panel which bring first hand information on the urban renewal and redevelopment program now in process in Atlanta

SPACES OPEN

There are yet a few remaining spaces open, persons planning to attend this luncheon-forum make their reservation immediately by calling the Butler Street Y. M. C. A. JA. 4-0246. The Hungry Club is not a membership organization and everyone is always invited. The sessions begin each Wednesday at 12:51 p. m. 12: 15 p. m.

Dr. Flemmings Stirs Meet

Sigma Conclave Hears Prexy Hit Race Hate in U.S.

By J. BENJAMIN HORTON JR.

MIAMI, Fla.—The 42nd anniversary conclave of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity is now history. Theme of the conclave was "Meeting the Demands of Democracy." Dr. George D. Flemmings, national president of the fraternity, was the conclave speaker.

In keeping with the conclave theme, Dr. Flemmings chose as his subject "Civil Rights, America's Challenge." In the jam-packed confines of Mt. Zion Baptist Church in which the fraternity's public meeting was held, several hundred Sigma delegates, visting brothers and Miami citizens heard the speaker state that "we stand today on the threshold of a new and uncertain era.

"Nineteen fi f t y-six," the speaker said, "may well be the year of America's gravest dan. ger." Flemmings added that "the whole concept of civil rights and America, the strongest defender of that concept, are under attack by an ably aggressive foe, who knows how to exploit, effectively, the weakness in our national defense."

Continued Dr. Flemmings, "The persistence of discriminatory practices in this country makes it impossible for the United States to present to the world a convincing picture of democracy at work."

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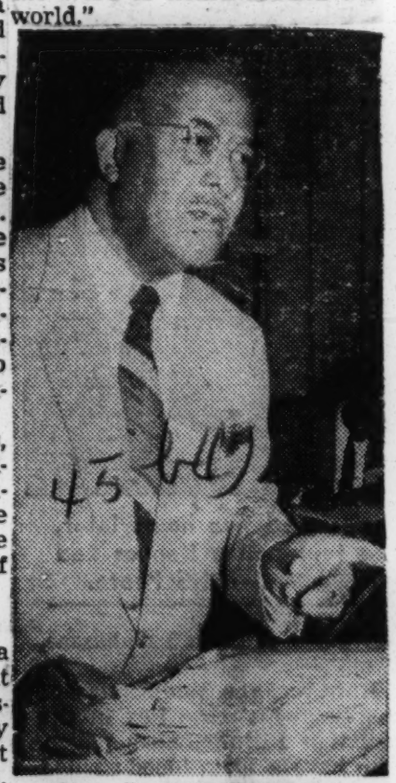
DR. FLEMMINGS painted a verbal picture of the great American shame of gross injustice to her largest minority group, asserting in part that "among the peoples of Asia, Africa and Latin America, as well as Europe, there is widespread distrust of our country because of the well publicized stories of continuing anti-Negro discrimination."

The speaker ended his argument, asserting that "everytime a Negro home is bombed by white bigots, everytime the Dixiecrats filibuster against civil rights, everytime Negro Americans are denied equal opportunity for employment, housing, education and health, the word is heard around the world."



DR. G. FLEMMINGS
. . . conclave speaker

Sigma Fraternity commends 'courage' of bus boycotters

MIAMI, Fla.—Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc., national Greek letter organization, closed its 42nd anniversary conclave after a three-day session (Dec. 27-29) on the theme, "Meeting the Demands of Democracy."

The fraternity adopted the following resolutions:

(1) Commended colored citizens of Montgomery, Ala., Tallahassee, Fla., and Birmingham, Ala., for exemplary courage in combatting segregation in public transportation and for having won a national legal battle.

It also praised them for their valiant fight and unusual unity and solidarity of purpose.

(2) It implored Attorney General Herbert Brownell to use the power of his office and the facilities of the Federal Government to preserve life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness to the people aforementioned (in Item 1).

(3) **IT URGED** all chapters to immediately contact the U.S. senators outside of the South, urging them to support a motion to adopt new rules to outlaw filibustering in the Senate.

It also went on record as commending those progressive U.S. senators who are making a humanitarian stand in behalf of civil rights.

(4) It approved and commended Gov. Albert B. Chandler of Kentucky, for his earnestness of purpose and swift delivery of justice in calling out the Kentucky National Guard and state police to avert possible tragedy at Sturgis, Ky., in the matter of school desegregation on Sept. 6, 1956.

It involved the rights of 9 colored high school pupils to attend school on an integrated basis in keeping with a recent U.S. Supreme Court decision on this question.

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(5) **IT WENT** on record as commending the governor of Tennessee, the school officials of Clinton, Tenn., and Judge Robert Taylor for their position and immediate action in the case in Clinton, Tenn.

(6) It commended Superintendent Omar Carmichael and the school board of Louisville, Ky., for the manner in which they have integrated Louisville schools.

(7) It commended the host chapter in hosting a successful conclave and resolved that special letters of thanks and appreciation for their hospitality and courtesies be sent to all individuals and groups participating in helping make for a successful conclave.

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DR. George D. Flemings of Fort Worth, Texas, was re elected national president; Hutson L. Lovell of NYC, and Ezekiel Bell, University of Chicago, vice presidents. Roswell O'Neil Sutton of Atlanta, treasurer;

Re-elected E. Rhudophus Clemons of Philadelphia, as national director of Bigger and Better Business; Charles E. Trout, Tuskegee (Institute), national director of education; Robert L. Williams, Tallahassee, Fla., national director of social action.

Continued in office are William E. Doar Jr. of Brooklyn as national executive secretary; Dr William H. Pipes, Wayne University, Detroit, as editor of The Crescent and J. Benjamin Horton Jr., Louisville, Ky., as national director of publicity.

The conclave chose Dallas, Texas for the fraternity's 43rd anniversary conclave.

APPEAL TO BROWNELL

(2) Implored Attorney-General Herbert Brownell to use the power of his office and facilities of the federal government to preserve life, liberty and pursuit of happiness of all people fighting to end discrimination.

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Dr. George D. Flemmings of Ft. Worth, Texas, was re-elected president; Atty. Hutson L. Lovell of New York City, was elected first vice president; Ezekiel Bell, University of Chicago, second vice president; Roswell O. Sutton of Atlanta.

Sigmas Laud Bias Fighters

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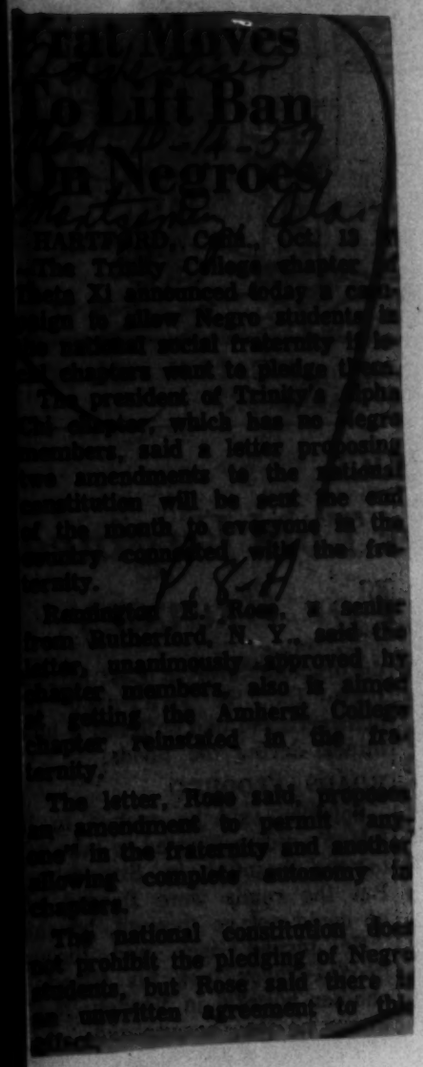
OMEGA FOUNDERS — The three living founders of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, which held its 43rd annual grand conclave in Baltimore, Md., were on hand for the event. They are from left to right: Rev. Edgar A. Love, Baltimore, Bishop of the Methodist church; Dr. Frank Coleman, Washington, D. C.; and Dr. Oscar Cooper, Philadelphia. They are honored guests at the Founders' Banquet held at the 5th Rgiment Armory on Saturday evening.

RE-ELECTED—Dr. George D. Fleming, who was re-elected national president of ~~Phi Beta~~ Sigma, addresses the fraternity delegates at the Miami conclave.



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HARTFORD, Conn., Oct. 13 ...
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from Rutherford, N. Y., said the ...
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at getting the Amherst College ...
chapter reinstated in the fra...
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The letter, Rose said, proposes ...
an amendment to permit any ...
Negro in the fraternity and another ...
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chapters.

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not prohibit the pledging of Negro ...
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an unwritten agreement to this ...
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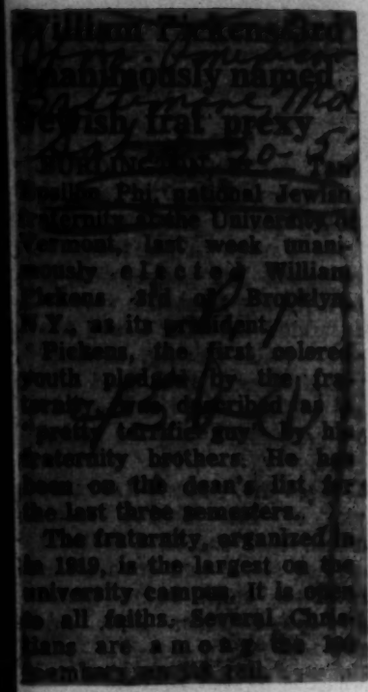

William Pickens 3rd
unanimously named
Jewish frat prexy

Tau Epsilon Phi, national Jewish fraternity at the University of Vermont, last week unanimously elected William Pickens, 3rd, of Brooklyn, N.Y., as its president.

Pickens, the first colored youth pledged by the fraternity, is described by a "really terrific guy" by his fraternity brothers. He has been on the dean's list for the last three semesters.

The fraternity, organized in 1910, is the largest on the university campus. It is open to all faiths. Several Christians are among the 100 members.

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ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY

FORTY-NINE YEARS OF ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA — were observed by more than 100 local members of the sorority last week at a formal banquet at Beverly Hills Melody Lane restaurant. AKA is the oldest and largest Negro sorority and was founded in 1908 at Howard university. From left, standing: Miss Gwen Dusuau, chairman of Founder's Day activities; Miss Vivian Robinson, Alpha Gamma; Miss Althea Sims, Sigma, Mrs. Dora Taylor, Alpha Gamma Omega; seated, basileus Georgia Payton, of Alpha Gamma Omega; Miss Bernice Wright, Alpha Gamma Omega; and Mrs. Mary P. King, Far Western Regional director. (See story)

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ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY

Atlanta Sessions Eye Human Relations

AKAs Split With Kappas on Rights

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By PAULE X. BROWN

ATLANTA, Ga.—Leaders of the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity and the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority were at odds on the approach to present-day problems as their national meetings opened here.

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The difference came to light during a press luncheon at the Phyllis Wheatley YWCA attended by a cross-section of the leadership of both organizations.

C. Roger Wilson, Chicago, Kappa Grand Polemarch, would not be specific when queried about the action of his fraternity in the areas of civil rights and human relations. He said he would not be drawn into a discussion on housing.

Mr. Rogers, however, pointed out that the 1956 theme was "Training for leadership."

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MRS. ARNETTA G. Wallace, Knoxville, Tenn., supreme Basileus, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, was more positive in the role her group was taking in the transition.

"We cannot separate ourselves from the people. If women are ever needed in our world, we are needed now—for peace," she said.

She then pointed out that AKA had been and is still instrumental in campaigning for social legislation to be adopted by the Congress. She pointed up that the sorority had done "an excellent job in civil rights lobbying."

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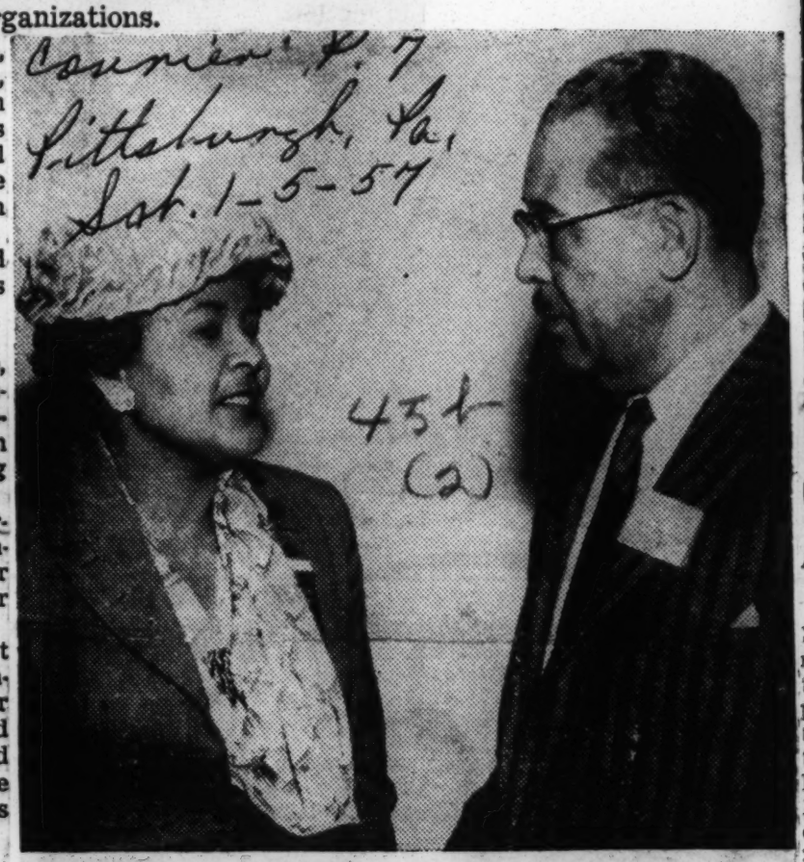
MEANTIME, J. J. Henderson, Durham, N. C., Kappa Grand Keeper of Records and Exchequer, told newsmen that the "Kappas had assumed a responsibility and was doing a better job for all mankind."

James Edward Scott, Washington, D. C., a past grand Polemarch of Kappas, pointed out the contribution in leadership the group had made through the American Council on Human Rights.



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Exchange of Ideas—Mrs. Lucille Scott, AKA host chapter member, discusses future aims of Greek-letter group with Kappa Past Grand Polemarch James Edward Scott, Washington, D. C., at the beginning of the annual meeting of the two groups in Atlanta during the Christmas season.—Lowe Photo.

He predicted a series of resolutions on human dignity and implementation would be acted upon during the conclave.

The press luncheon was made possible by the local Zeta Phi Beta Sorority. The courtesy committee included: Mrs. Evelyn Riggins, Mrs. Julia M. Mitchell, Mrs. Christyne Randolph, Mrs. Mildred Burse, Mrs. Marguerite Butler, Helena Rivers and Evelyn Howard.

Kappas, AKAs Meet in Atlanta

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Greek Officers—Top officers of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity and Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority were welcomed by Atlantans on the opening of their annual conclaves. Left to right: Mrs. Grace Walker Phillips, Spartanburg, S. C., regional director of Zeta Phi Beta; Mrs. Anna White Robinson, Basileus, Kappa Omega Chapter, Atlanta; C. Roger Wilson, Chicago, Grand Polemarch, Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity; Mrs. Arnetta G. Wallace, Knoxville, Tenn.; Supreme Basileus, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority; Mrs. A. Cathryn Johnson, Atlanta, regional director, AKA, and Rheubin M. Taylor, Atlanta, program chairman.—Lowe Photo.

Urges Negro College Women To Accept Challenge To Reach Goal Of Integration

Globe Nashville, Tenn. Fri. 2-8-57 p. 10

Admonish Sorority Women To Explore New Felds For Larger Gains

Pittsburgh, Pa.—"Negro college women as leaders face the challenge to set and achieve goals in unexplored fields of endeavor in order to bring about the integration of the Negro in all phases of American Life." declared Miss Ylonne E. McDuffie, Basileus of Alpha Omega chapter of Cleveland, Ohio at the 30th Founder's Day observance of Alpha Omega chapter of Pittsburgh Saturday January 26, held at the Sherwyn Hotel.

Choosing as her subject "Something to Crow About", Miss McDuffie, recalled that Alpha Kappa had something to crow about because of the achievements of their "Founding Sisters," who built better than they knew, for they laid the foundation of a sorority with high standards, aims and ideals.

But, she admonished, "what are we, of today, doing to leave something for those who follow us to-crow about". There are many unexplored fields of endeavor awaiting the adventursome women of our race. Positions as airplane pilots, airplane hostesses, in government service, judges on the benches of industry as managers of plants, in in finances, as heads of investment houses and in many other fields. All of our American communities and neighborhoods need the leadership that Negro college women can give in every phase of human endeavor."

"Sorors of Alpha Kappa Alpha," Miss McDuffie, declared, "we are living in serious times. Everywhere the people of the world are seeking the larger freedoms. In India, in Africa in China, in Hungary in Russia in the Middle East and last but not least in Alabama, Georgia, Florida, North and South Carolina, Mississippi, Arkansas, Lousiana, and Texas.

"This desire of the Negro in this country for larger freedom," she concluded, "is a direct challenge to the women of Alpha Kappa Alpha. We cannot sit by and let our firm of Cleveland, being the first talent become atrophied by non Negro woman to become engaged use. We cannot permit ourselves in the investment securities business. to become so concerned with social While in Pittsburgh, she was guest activities that we lose sense of the of Mrs. LaRue Fredrick chairman real values of life."

Miss McDuffie is a teacher in of Alpha Omega Chapter's Founder's the Cleveland Public School con-Day Observance. nected with the Dept. of Health and Physical Welfare as a Teacher of Mouth Hygiene. In addition, she is a Registered Representative of McGhee & Co. Investment Brokerage

BIDDING ALPHA KAPPA Alpha sorors goodbye on campus of Atlanta's Clark college is Clark college President Dr. James P. Brawley (left) following AKA convention. In photo are (from left) Mrs. Anna White Robinson, basileus of Atlanta chapter; Mrs. Arnetta G. Wallace, national president; Mrs. A. Cathryn Johnson, director, South Atantic region; Mrs. Nellie Wolfe Gaylord, Philadelphia; Mrs. Ethel McMichael Johnson, New York City. Most of the meetings were held at Clark.

WELCOME BEAUTICIANS — Joining the group of Angelenes serving on various hospitality committees for delegates to the national convention of the Alpha Pi Chi Omega beauticians' sorority, on the West Coast, is this trio of Los Angeles socialites. From left, Julia Richardson, Cassie Harris and Juanita Bell. The confab, under direction of the association's National Supervisor, Mrs. Margaret Stewart Joyner, of Chicago, is holding meets in San Diego and Oakland, in addition to Los Angeles. — Julius Holder Foto.

CONVENTION ELECTS — In San Francisco the Alpha Chi Pi Omega Sorority and Fraternity held its 12th annual convention. Highlighting the affair was the colorful installation of Mrs. Billye Dunlap, left, the newly elected national basileus, of Oakland, Calif., by the supervisor of the organization, Marjorie Stewart Joyner of Chicago. Esther Courtney made a floral presentation from the Epsilon Phi Zeta Chapter of the Zeta Phi Beta Sorority. Mrs. Juanita Anderson and Mrs. Izalia Bible were program chairmen.—Joseph Photo.

Dorothy Harrison new Delta president

DETROIT, Mich. — Mrs. Dorothy Penman Harrison of Langston, Okla. was elected grand president of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority at the 24th National Convention held at the Sheraton-Cadillac Hotel, here, last week.

She took over the gavel from Miss Dorothy Height of New York, who was given a standing ovation from the delegates and visitors after completing eight years as national president.

OTHER GRAND OFFICERS elected were:

Jeanne L. Noble, New York City, grand 1st vice-president; Mary Rucker, S.C. State College, grand second vice president; Nellie Gordon Roulhac, Philadelphia, grand secretary; M. Lucia James, Tallahassee, Fla., grand treasurer; Edith Gamble, Detroit, finance committee chairman; Mattie Clarkson, New Orleans, scholarship and standards; Letty M. Wickliffee, Indianapolis, nominating committee chairman.

HIGHLIGHT of the conference was the induction of Phillipa Duke Schuyler, of New York, noted concert pianist, as an honorary member.

Joan Cole of Baltimore, a senior at St. John's College, Annapolis, Md. and the Epsilon Sigma Delta Scholarship Girl, was initiated.

More than 645 delegates attended the convention the theme of which was "Releasing the Delta Potential for: Personal Growth, Community Service and Leadership."

IN ATTENDANCE at the convention was one of the founders, Mattie Penn White of Cleveland; Past Presidents Sadie Alexander of Philadelphia, Vivan Marhh of California and Gladys Shepperd of Baltimore.

Also from Baltimore were Vivian Chamberlain, president of Epsilon Sigma, who was chairman of the nominating committee and Ellen Fisher, recording secretary of Epsilon Sigma.

A TOWN MEETING was held in Edsel Ford Auditorium with the subject, "American Race Relations: International Implications." Greetings were extended by Governor S. Mennen Williams with music by the Delta Choir.

The keynote speaker was Dr. Buell Gallagher, president of the City College of New York. Interviews included:

Mrs. M. E. Tilley of Georgia, Southern Regional Council by Dr. Sadie T. M. Alexander, honorary national president; Miss Annie Bomar, of South Carolina, former student of South Carolina State College, now of Morgan State College, by Dr. Deborah Partridge, grand basileus of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority; and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. of Alabama by Dr. Henry Hitt Crane, Minister of Central Methodist Church.

The international project this year saw Delta complete a road in Jeremie, Haiti and send two scholarships for the University of New Delhi, India.

The group also reported completion of payments on the National Headquarters in Washington. D.C.

NATIONAL PRESIDENT DELTA SIGMA THETA

Mrs. Dorothy B. Harrison was elected national president of Delta Sigma Theta sorority at the sorority's national convention which met in Detroit, Mich., Dec. 26-30.

Mrs. Harrison, wife of Dr. G. L. Harrison, president of Langston university, is a member of local chapter Beta Iota Sigma and is the past national treasurer of Delta Sigma Theta sorority. In addition to her affiliation with this sorority, she is a member of the executive board of the Oklahoma Society for Mental Health, and numerous other civic groups throughout the state.

Mrs. Harrison received a Batchelor of Science degree from Ohio State university; Master of Science from Oklahoma A&M; and has completed an additional year's work at that instittuion, where she is a member of Kappa Delta Phi honorary society. She was principal speaker at Alpha Alpha chapters Founder's Day program in Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 13.

Delta Sorors Criticized For Passing Up Negro Hotels in Detroit, Mich.

DETROIT—Delta Sigma Theta Sorority held its national convention here, and the repercussions are still reverberating.

Negro businessmen were angered when the Deltas took most of their business downtown. Angry editorials and bitter column comments appeared in some Negro newspapers concerning the event. Bitter mutterings were heard on the streets from the lips of some businessmen.

Mr. Wilson

But it took Detroit's irrepressible hotel owner, Sunnie Wilson, to take direct action by sending a letter to Delta prexy Dorothy Height, expressing his disagreement with Delta "behavior."

His letter, signed Sunnie Wilson, President Midwest Division of the National Hotel Association, said in part:

"Through the years the businessmen of the city of Detroit have always supported Delta Sigma Theta sorority . . . through its local chapter with all of its activities and their pet project, 'The Delta Home' (for girls). We have always felt even prior to this revolutionary age that we should live as a community and if we are to live as such, we must support the community in all of its phases.

"Delta . . . chose to come to Detroit to hold its 24th national convention. (It) has completely forgotten the loyal businessman in the community who has unstintingly given of his time and talent to see that the Deltas' whims were satisfied whether their whims be big or small. Delta has forgotten all this. (It) has forgotten that they will again have another 'Jabberwock.' They will need further contributions from time to time to keep their home going.

"Delta has forgotten that even though during this convention they preferred to become aloof and not a part of the community, that after it is over they will have to return to the community to live in it. Delta has forgotten that in a period of integration, we as a race are asking for equality on every level.

"In this particular instance, we have adequate hotel accommodations, equal to and in many instances better than what you are presently receiving. These can be found at both the Mark Twain (Sunnie's hotel) and the Gotham (John White's hotel).

"We realize fully well that we do not have a grand ballroom or convention hall. However, how will we ever have such if groups of your calibre choose to drain the community dry economically on the one hand for your own selfish purposes and when the time comes to replenish same, you take it out of your community into another.

"These people do not need your support nor do they want it as has been so ably expressed by the businessmen in the surrounding downtown areas of the convention headquarters.

"We businessmen of the city of Detroit enter our protest to you and all the Deltas convening here in this great city before your departure."

Delta's headquarters was the Sheraton Cadillac Hotel. They held one function in a Negro establishment—a press luncheon at the Gotham Hotel.

MRS. JIMMIE BUGG MIDDLETON of Washington was guest of honor when Alpha Nu Sigma and Gamma Phi chapters of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority celebrated Founder's Day in Winston-Salem, N.C., last week. Mrs. Middleton is one of the sorority's founders. Shown with her, left, is Miss Doris Armstrong and right, Miss Simona Atkins.

Pittsburgh Deltas Plan Regional

PITTSBURGH — Helen Peeler Evans, president of Alpha Epsilon chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, has appointed Ethel Ramos Harris to chair the regional convention of the sorority which will convene April 26-28 at the Fort Pitt Hotel.

Mrs. Harris is being ably assisted in many elaborate plans by the co-chairman, Mrs. Irma Williams, and by Justine Robinson and Marva Scott of Mu and Theta chapters, respectively.

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AFFAIRS planned include a Greek's dance, a closed banquet, a breakfast given by the Delta patronesses, first such group in the U. S.; Town Hall of the Air and other activities.

Program on Books Held At Tuskegee Institute

TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE — Recently the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority of Tuskegee observed a week's program with a theme of, "New Horizons Through The Use of Books."

The Gamma Tau Chapter presented a skit, "Library Muggleheads versus Profiteers," written by Dorcas Davis, Elnora Guinyard and Dorothy Hilton. Other undergraduates participating in the skit were: Wilma Autry, Rosemarie Duncan, Gloria Horton, Shirley Jelks, Carole Joyner, Vera King, Arthelma McKinney, Antoinette Mann, Gwendola Mitchell, Jacquelyn Quinn, Jean F. Robinson and Betty Jean Wilborn.

According to a statement made by one of the sorors, "All that mankind has done, thought and gaines is lying as in magic preservation in the pages of books. In books lie the soul of ages past and the hope of years to come."

For many years the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority has realized the immeasurable strength and joy gained through reading. Many chapters throughout the country have initiated library projects of special interest and need to people in various communities. In the Tuskegee Community, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority is interested in encouraging better reading habits among the youth. To help achieve this goal and in conservation of May week, an impressive program was sponsored at the Tuskegee Institute High School.

Mrs. Elaine F. Thomas, president of the Zeta Sigma Theta Chapter presented a check for $100 to Prof. R. W. Stone, principal of the Tuskegee Institute High School, to be used to purchase the 1956 edition of the World Book Encyclopedia, which consists of 19 volumes.

The musical background for the program was executed by Mrs. Lexine H. Weeks, Mrs. Lilliar Wynn, a member of the May Week planning committee, presided. Other members of the May Week Committee were: Mrs. Katherine Parker, chairman; Mrs. Laura B. McCray, Mrs. Dauphine Albritton and Mrs. Lillian Thompson.

According to Mrs. Vera C. Foster, project chairman, announce- elementary school children.

Tuskegee Holding Reading Project

Montgomery Advertiser Ala.

TUSKEGEE, Ala. — An enthusiastic group of youngsters met Wednesday to register for "Ride the Winged Horse," the summer reading project sponsored by Delta Sigma Theta Sorority.

Mrs. Elaine F. Thomas, sorority president, says the project has been outlined with the help of specialists in a variety of fields; children's literature, art, music, English and education.

Chief consultants to "Ride the Winged Horse" are Mrs. Georgia G. Poole, reading specialist, and M. D. Sprague, Institute librarian.

For each Saturday morning a special program has been designed to stimulate interest of the sixth, seventh and eighth graders enrolled. Unique mid-week sessions will group children according to their particular interests.

The project is expected to prove as captibating as the Greek legend from which it is adapted. Through participation in the guided reading program and exploration of literary riches, chldren are expected to find new insights, expanded interests and deepened values.

A corps of trained volunteers will aid Mrs. Fannie J. Harris, coordinator, in staffing the project.

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LADY MEDIC—Dr. Velma L. Lewis recently opened her office to practice medicine in Berkeley, Calif. The entire Bay Area welcomes the new doctor who is a graduate of Meharry and a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority. She has already entered into many community activities.—E. F. Joseph Photo.

Twelve High School Graduates Receive Delta Scholarships

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WASHINGTON, D.C. — (ANP) —Twelve high school graduates were announced Wednesday as recipients o Delta Sigma Theta sorority's national college scholarships for the 1957-58 school year. The scholarships range from $200 to $500.

Kansas City Call

Representing all sections of the country, the twelve young women will pursue college courses in chemistry, biology, advanced mathematics, music education, public school teaching, physical therapy, personnel administration and education of the deaf.

The scholarship winners and the schools to which they will go are. Lutrelle Hilton, of Port St. Joe, Fla., to Florida A & M university; Bertha Hampton, of Roanoke, Va., to Hampton Institute; Freddie Mitchell, of Chicago, to the University of Illinois; Frances Wright Whaley, of Little Rock, Ark., to the University of Michigan.

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Two $250-scholarships are awarded annually to Indiana women to study advanced social work at the Delhi School of Social Work, in Delhi, India. Other Delta grants are the Julia Burmy Jones Scholarship in Journalism, the Juliette Derricotte Award in Social Group Work for Advanced College Training and the Delta award to its undergraduate chapter with the highest scholastic average for the year.

Tulsa Girl Among 12 to Get Delta Awards

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Volunteers From Sorority Aid Chicago Urban League

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In a unique experiment which may well start a nationwide fad, a Chicago Southside sorority-Delta Sigma Theta—has offered the volunteer services of its pledges to the Chicago Urban League, 2410 So. Michigan ave., a social agency dedicated to serving the community in the area of improving race relations. 45b(2)

First to comply with the new "helping hand" policy of the Lambda chapter of Delta Sigma Theta were pledgees Sonia Sebastian, of 837 E. 52nd st., and Judy Washington, of 6140 St. Lawrence ave.

They visited the league's offices on a busy afternoon and used up their two-hour service period by engaging in general clerical work such as typing, filing and operating the mimeograph machine. Faced with an insurmountable pile of work, the regular clerical staff welcomed both girls.

LIKE LEAGUE DUTIES

Sonia, a senior at Chicago Teacher's College, reported that she was "overwhelmed by the immensity of the league's clerical work," while Judy, a junior also attending CTC, admitted that she "liked the work very much."

A few days after the visit of the two girls, a third Delta pledgee, Patricia M. Pates, of 7514 South Park, came into the league's offices for her two-hour tour of duty.

A third-year student in Roosevelt College's School of Music, Pat was so fascinated by a duplicating machine, designed to accurately and immediately was assigned to a speedily turn out copies of letters, newspaper articles, book pages and other literature, that she spent half of her volunteer service period reproducing everything in sight.

"It's utterly fabulous," she sighed, "I wish I had it for school work."

Pat also worked diligently at operating the switchboard and assembling various league manuals and reports of importance to Chicago Urban League's over-all community programs.

AID MAILING

Pledgee number four, Helen Pulliam, of 6449 So. Drexel blvd., paid her "duty call" the next afternoon following Pat's visit, and "top priority" task—addressing 1,000 envelopes from a central mailing list for use in sending out one of the many important communications that is channeled out of the league's offices each day.

A sophomore major in elementary education at the University of Illinois-Navy Pier Extension, Helen exhibited top typing skill in dispensing with this chore in quick fashion. Then she was introduced to the duplicating machine, and, just as Pat had the day before, fell in love with it right on the spot.

Serving as a vanguard for several other sorority pledgees who will devote equal time in volunteer service to the league, each of the four girls announced that she was impressed with the pleasant and completely modern new offices of the Chicago Urban League in contrast to the old headquarters which were located on 31st st. and Wabash ave., an area now under redevelopment.

The sorority's volunteer service was dreamed up by Melba Ingram, of 352 East 69th st., sorority vice-president and dean of pledgees.

"This seemed a sound method of encouraging pledgees to render a real service to the community in which most of us live," she stated. "The sorority has watched the Urban League's progress with interest for some time, now, and it occurred to us that the Chicago office would welcome volunteer service support from within the community because of the vastness of Urban League programs."

Ted Cobb, community services director at the league, filled the role of "boss" over the non-paid volunteers and reported: "The girls work hard and efficiently, and seem to be genuinely interested in what we are trying to do at the league. I think everyone was just a trifle amazed at the amount of work they were able to clean up despite the limitations of their volunteer service period."

"It's conceivable, and certainly desirable that this sort of service project may catch hold of sororities around the nation," stated Paul G. Gardner, Chicago Urban League Public Relations and Public Education Secretary.

"Very much like the Urban League," he continued, "most of your social agencies are handicapped by small budgets and a tremendous need for clerical help. These organizations very often must rely upon part-time or volunteer workers in order to keep the clerical program functioning smoothly.

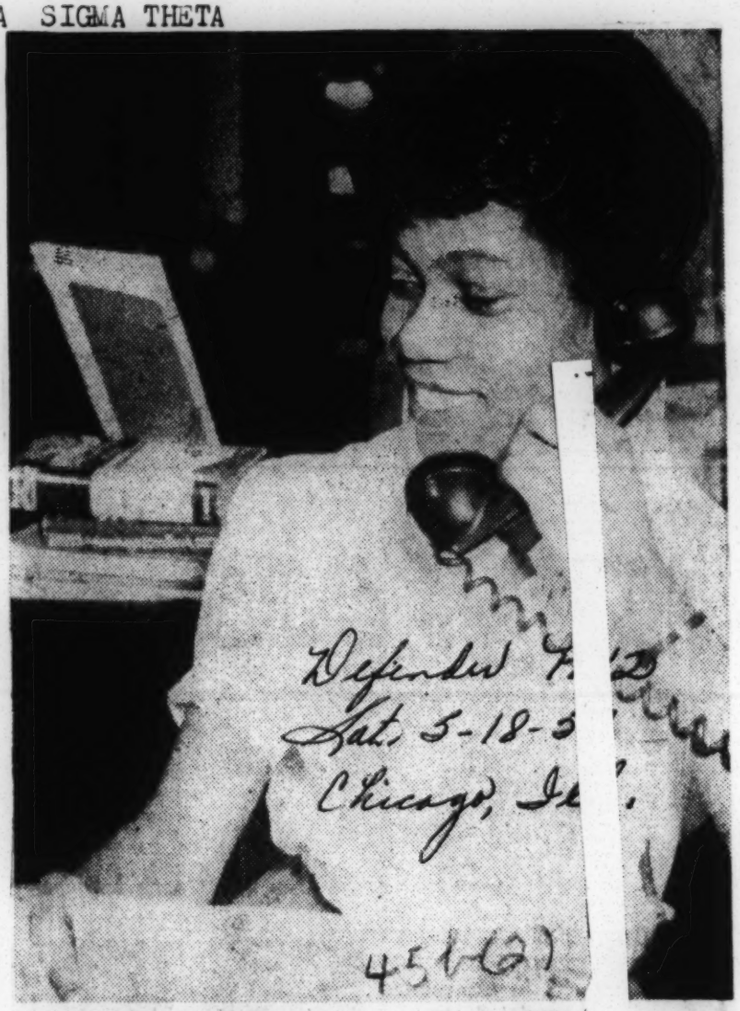
CUT OVER-TIME

"In many instances, the regular clerical staff is subjected to an undesirable amount of over-time hours in an effort to keep up with the flow of work.

"Delta Sigma Theta has alleviated our clerical needs considerably with its fine volunteer service program. It occurs to me that other social agencies around the nation would prosper immensely from the same type of program."

Miss Ingram said some of the Delta pledgees will by-pass clerical work when their service turn comes up in favor of helping the professional staff plan and carry out league projects.

The personable Dean of Pledgees refused to reveal whether or not the volunteer service is a part of the initiation ritual each pledgee must go through to become a member of the sorority.



VOLUNTEER WORKER, Patricia M. Pates, of 7514 South Park, a junior at Roosevelt college answers phone during two-hour service with Chicago Urban League. She also typed lettres, filed and operated duplica machine. Miss Pates was member of D Sigma Theta sorority to service at the U League office. — George tty photo.

HELEN PULLIAM, right, of 6449 So. Drexel, a volunteer from Delta Sigma Theta sorority, learns operation of duplication machine in offices of one of several volunteers from the sorority, is comparing reproduc n of material f r o m Chicago Defender, with M r s. Chicago Urban League, 2410 So. Michigan. Miss Pulliam, Clarice Laurence, 4236 South Calumet, secretary at the Urban League. — Richard Johnson photo.

ANOTHER VOLUNTEER from Delta Sigma Theta sorority gives free service at offices of Chicago U r b a n League. T h e volunteer is Helen Pulliam (left) of 6449 Drexel blvd., a sophomore at the University of Illinois. She is being instructed by Mrs. Jayne Chandler, of 5420 South Kenwood, a regular member of the Urban League clerical staff. — P h o t o by Richard Johnson

Tau Gamma Re-Elects Mrs. Corine Dean

Mrs. Corin Dean, of Detroit, was re-elected supreme basileus of Tau Gamma Delta sorority when the group met in Chicago for its 12th annual boule.

Other officers elected were Mrs. Mary Mosby, anti-basileus; Mrs. Helen Brantly, supreme grammateus Mrs. Eliza Hamilton, national organizer; Mrs. Agnes Fischer, anti-grammateus; Mrs. Blythe B. Alsup, epistoleus.

Mrs. Kathleen Roberts, supreme tamiochus; Mrs. Dorothy Allen, editor-in-chief; Mrs. Cellilus Morgan, historian; Mrs. Elnora Starks, keeper of the pins; Mrs. Hazel Love, chaplain, and Mrs. Ariace Ramsaye, corresponding secretary.

Regional directors are Mrs. Richardean Ewing, central; Mrs. Ann Felder, eastern; Mrs. Olga Groner, western; and Mrs. Lucinda Harris, southern.

The theme of this year's meeting was "Progress — Woman's objective in the Business World."

At a public program held at the International House of the University of Chicago, the annual scholarship award of the sorority was presented to Elizabeth Woods a recent graduate of Chicago's Wendell Phillips high school.

The principal speaker for the public program was Judge Bl Fain Tucker, first woman judge to serve in the criminal court of Chicago. She was introduced by Atty. Dowell S. Rogers, assistant U. S. Attorney.

Highlight of a formal dance at the Parkway ballroom was the presentation of the Ballard award to Dr. Lois P. Brown of Indianapolis. The award is to the most outstanding soror of the year.

Beta Chapter, of Detroit, was given an award as the most outstanding chapter of the year.

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GAMMA PHI DELTA SORORITY

Gamma Phi Delta meets

PHILADELPHIA

The Eastern Region of Gamma Phi Delta Sorority met recently at the Pyramid Club. Mu Chapter of Philadelphia was the host, of which Soror Pearl Reed Brown is the basileus.

Four sorors from the Sigma Chapter of Baltimore attended. They were Sorors Sara Loggins, Anna Christmas, Marguerite Garrett and Rosaline White.

This was the first meeting since the boule, which was held in California this year.

THE ELECTION of officers for the region was as follows:

Sorors Anna Christmas, regional director; Marjorie Spruill, assistant regional director; Bessie Williams, recording secretary; Rosalin White, corresponding secretary; Hazel Robinson, financial secretary; Norma Warfield, treasurer; Alice Thomas, sergeant - at-arms; Maguerite Garrett, chaplain.

Basic plans were laid for the region's activities this year. Excerpts from boule were brought to the group by Soror Loggins.

Soror Christmas, who attended the recent board meeting in Detroit, brought greetings from Supreme Basileus Marie Rivers Faust.

New sorors initiated

Ida Williams, Mildred Allen and Catharine Nance are new sorors of Beta Omecron chapter of Iota Phi Lambda National Sorority.

On Saturday afternoon, the dean of pledgees Annabelle McDaniels together with chapter president, Lucille Precia and Florence Madison Hill, conducted the final pledgees' tour of humility chores from 13th and Market Sts., along the busiest sections of the city.

Crowds of Christmas shoppers enjoyed the fun as the pledgees performed their unusual assignments.

The initiation said to have been the most rigid ever executed by the chapter, took place at the home of Soror Hill, national first vice president, 1337 N. 57th St., Saturday evening.

National president, Marion H. Jackson, national second vice president, Ethel K. Green and Soror Isabel McConnell, president of Gamma Chapter, came from Washington, to witness the initiation.

Iota Phi Lambda sorority to offer scholarship

Presentation of scholarships to deserving high school students is one of the primary objectives of Iota Phi Lambda sorority, and the awards are given specifically to encourage students to pursue courses in business education in colleges, according to Miss A. Lucille Reynolds of Los Angeles, director of education of the sorority. The national scholarships are awarded by means of competitive examinations, and chapters sponsor all contestants who are considered eligible.

The contest is open to all young women regardless of race, color, or creed who are enrolled in high school and who will graduate at midyear or in the June graduating class of the current year, Miss Reynolds said. They must have maintained a B average or better and must have had courses in mathematics and science in high school.

Students interested in entering should contact members of the sorority to secure entry blanks, not later than Feb. 23.

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Iota Offers Business Course Aid

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As this announcement was made of one of the sorority's major activities, chapters throughout the country joined other organizations in the celebration of Negro History Week.

This is one of the national observances of Iota Phi Lambda sorority, and chapters who strive for certificates of merit always arrange a appropriate program during this important week in the lives of Negro Americans.

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Iotas President Emeritus To Speak Here April 17th

Mrs Lola M Parker of Chicago, Ill founder and president-emeritus of the 27-year-old Iota Phi Lambda Sorority is scheduled to be guest speaker when Alpha Eta Chapter holds its 20th anniversary celebration here April 17.

The celebration will fall within the week of Iota National Business week observance.

Mrs. M B Gillard is chairman of the program development committee which is planning the anniversary celebration.

Mrs Gillard, Mrs Maggie P Harris and Mrs Emma Jones of Cincinnati are among the still active charter members of the Alpha Eta Chapter. Mrs. Jones suggested the idea of Iota's Business on Parade.

The chapter met recently in the Mississippi Room of Bob's Supper Club with Sorors Harris, Ossie W Mitchell, Sue Hutchins Alice P Allen, Gaillard Allena Jones, Dorothy Brown, Ethel Lois Hinton and Ruth J. Jackson in attendance.

Sorors Brown Hinton and Jackson were Alpha Eta Chapter delegates to the Iota Southern Regional Conference in Mobile March 8-10 Southern Regional Drector Mitchell was guest speaker at the opening night program held at Emanuel AME Church pastored by the Rev. T. H. Brown.

Iota Phi Lambda Finds Warm Welcome At Southern Regional Conference

MOBILE, Ala. / Local residents literally opened their hearts and homes to the members of Iota Phi Lambda Sorority during the weekend when the 1957 Southern Regional Conference was held here with Beta Xi Chapter as hostess.

A pre-conference activity was the Educational program on Friday night at Emanuel AME church. Soror Ossie W. Mitchell, Southern Regional Director, was the speaker.

Using for her subject the conference theme, "Meeting the Challenges of a Changing Society," Soror Mitchell stated, "If we would live well, we must work well, for it is through the actual performance of life's duties that we live and not merely exist."

She also said, "To meet the challenges we must be equipped to assure our survival and continued existence of the physical world as we know it now; be equipped to keep the freedom and liberty we now have and to extend the possibilities for freedom to all peoples of the world; be equipped for the pursuit of happiness; and be equipped through preparation to make a living. Iota Phi Lambda Sorority can and must meet the challenges that are presented by this ever changing society in which we live."

Immediately following the program everyone was invited to a Public Tea-Social Hour at the Alabama State College Branch. Later in the evening the Sorors were entertained at a "get acquainted party" at the beautiful home of Soror Grace M. Richardson.

Saturday morning the delegates and visitors of the Southern Regional which includes the states of Alabama, Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina and Tennessee gathered at the Alabama State College Branch for registration.

The first business session was called promptly at 10 a.m. Saturday morning. From then until Sunday noon, Soror Mitchell presided over the business sessions with charm and dignity and the work of the calendar with efficiency.

Soror Marion H. Jackson, National President, Gamma Chapter, Washington, D. C., was in attendance throughout the conference. She gave inspiration and encouragement as well as highlights of the National Convention.

Another National Officer in attendance was the National Dean of Pledges, Soror Zenobia Terry, Delta Chapter, Atlanta, Georgia.

The Southern Regional Officers are Soror Ossie W. Mitchell, Alpha Eta Chapter, Birmingham, Alabama, Regional Director; Soror Gareth Y. Marshall, Alpha Sigma Chapter, Tampa, Florida, Assistant Regional Director; Soror Catherine N. Johnson, Mu Chapter, Montgomery Alabama, Secretary; Soror Birdie G. Robinson, Beta Alpha Chapter, Winston Salem, North Carolina, Treasurer; and Soror Louise P. Brown, Beta Rho Chapter, Selma, Alabama, Journalist.

BANQUET

The closed banquet was held Sunday noon. During the banquet the awards, prizes and gifts were given out. Soror Alice P. Allen, Past National President, Alpha Eta Chapter, Birmingham, Alabama was named "Bronzed Woman of the Year" of the Southern Region. Soror Billie O. Glover, Lambda Chapter, Tuskegee, Alabama was awarded the Regional Scholarship. The Chapter Achievement award went to Gamma Alpha Chapter, Miami, Florida. Prizes were awarded in the areas of scrapbooks, arts and crafts.

Throughout the conference sorors were entertained and refreshed by the courtesies extended by other Greek letter organizations of Mobile.

At the close of the conference Sunday afternoon the Sorors toured the beautiful Azalea City.

Congratulations to Beta Xi Chapter for a well planned and executed program which resulted in a most successful conference. Members of the host chapter are: Sorors Minnie G. Lee, Ruth A. Jackson, Grace M. Richardson, Marguerite A. Washington, Linda B. Jackson, Clara L. Moore, Thelma L. Anderson, Ethel T. Henderson, Arlena A. Harrison, Corine Clarke, Helene Hubbard, Josephine Finkley, Doris Frazier, Deloris Edwards, Margaret K. Washington, Joana Pope, Nina AJones, Ethel T. Murphy and Hattie Besteda.

Iotas Cite Gains In Top Business Training

"Is a college education necessary for securing good jobs in business establishments? Won't employers make allowance for nervousness when applications are not filled out correctly? Are bobby socks alright for office wear?"

These and similar questions sparked discussion periods as members of the speakers' bureau of Alpha chapter, Iota Phi Lambda sorority carried the appeal for advanced study in business methods to the junior and senior commerce students in five area high schools and one business college this week.

"Business Opportunities in a Changing World" was the theme used by the chapter in their observance of National Buseness Week and the value of preparedness, loyalty to employers, dependability, punctuality, courtesy to all, proper grooming and physical fitness were stressed as keys to success.

Mesdames Carnegia Nelson, Alva Williams, Mahalia Evans, Lucile Warfield were speakers at Carver, Dunbar, DuSable Englewood and St. Elizabeth High schools, respectively.

Mrs. Elizabeth Ward discussed pertinent information on provisions of the Social Security Act, and distributed literature.

At Cortez Peters business college, a one-act skit, "For Service Rendered" (written and directed by Mrs. Warfield) depicting the right and wrong office attitudes, was presented to an audience of appreciative students by Mesdames Lillian Leonard, Frances Williams and Misses Marguerite Galloway, Delores Johnson and Marianne Jones

Mrs. La Ursa S. Hedrick, program chairman, who spearheaded the entire week's program was the speaker

Much credit is due principals Sister Alphonsa, Mrs Santash, Messrs Clifford Campbell, Curtis C. Melnick, Joseph M. O'Rourke and director George W Cabaniss and the counsellors and department heads, Sister Pietro, Mesdames Mathouser, Quinlan, Davis and Brown, for their interest and cooperation which made the program possible

Typists Compete In Iota Phi Lambda Anniversary-Business Week Program

BIRMINGHAM —Eight high schools participated in the typewriting contest sponsored by Alpha Eta chapter, Iota Phi Lambda sorority during the celebration of their 20th anniversary program and National Business Week program held at the Masonic Temple. The high schools were Ullman, Wenoah, Rosedale, Westfield, Fairfield, Hooper City Parker and Western High.

Miss Dorothy Alyce Enright won first prize from Ullman High, Miss Gwendolyn Bryant, second prize from Hooper City and Miss Jeanette Hicks, third prize from Fairfield High. Soror Alice P. Allen, served as chairman of the Contest Committee. The judges were Mrs. Vernese B. O'Neal, Mrs. C. J. Campbell, Miss Vera H. Powe, Mrs. Ogarita Adams and Miss Emma Henry.

Soror Dorothy S. Brown awarded the prizes. The prize awarded for having the largest number of guests was presented to Upsilon chapter, Alpha Chi Pi Omega sorority; Miss Wilma G. Nichols is basileus of the chapter. More than 20 local businesses cooperated by giving door prizes to the guests. The prizes were given from photo studios, beauty shops, barber shops, filling stations, car washes, grocery stores, apparel shops, dry cleaner shops, beauty schools and cosmetic shops.

Soror Lola M. Parker, of Chicago, Founder and President Emeritus of Iota Phi Lambda sorority and guest speaker for the occasion, received many courtesies. She was presented a bouquet of 20 white roses upon her arrival at the airport by Soror Ruth J. Jackson, chapter president. She was the house guest of Soror M. B. Gaillard, chairman of the anniversary committee.

A delicious dinner was served to Sorors Ethel Lois Hinton, Alice P. Allen, and Ruth J. Jackson at 6 p.m., Wednesday. Soror Ossie W. Mitchell was hostess to a noonday dinner party at the A. G. Gaston Motel, Thursday. The sorors attending were Dorothy Brown, M. B. Gaillard, Ruth J. Jackson and our special guest, Mrs. Minnie Gaston. Soror Gaillard directed a sighting-seeing tour over the Magic City.

Thursday evening from 8 to 10 at the home of Soror Dorothy Brown, a "Chat and Chew" party was enjoyed by Sorors Ossie W. Mitchell, M. B. Gaillard, Sue Hutchins, Alice P. Allen, Maggie P. Harris, Alena Jones and Ruth J. Jackson. Friday morning at 9:30 a.m. breakfast was served at Soror Alice P. Allen's home.

Soror Parker visited the Booker T. Washington Business college and Ruth's Poro School of Beauty Culture. Willie Lois Arrington a student of the school, dedicated a poem to Soror Parker as founder of the sorority. Soror Parker gave much praise to people and businesses of Birmingham as to how they cooperate in giving courtesies to visitors.

Sunday at the home of Soror Maggie P. Harris the Twentieth Anniversary Tea concluded the annual celebration of Alpha Eta chapter, Iota Phi Lambda sorority. The guests were greeted by Sorors Maggie P. Harris and Dorothy S. Brown.

In the receiving line were Sorors Ossie W. Mitchell, Alice P. Allen, Ruth J. Jackson and Mergery B. Gaillard. A massive three-tiered anniversary cake decorated in sorority colors centered the beautifully appointed tea table. Soror Mary Zo McIntosh presided at the punch bowl. Assorted nuts, individual cakes with green and white frosting, mints, and fruit punch were served. Pleasant greetings and chatter ensued during the evening.

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IOTA PHI LAMBDA SORORITY

Sorority Holds Mid-Year National Board Meeting

Daily World Thurs. 2-1-57 P.6

Atlanta, Ga.

WASHINGTON, D. C. — The National Board of Iota Phi Lambda Sorority held its mid-year meeting January 19-20 at the headquarters of the National Council of Negro Women, Washington, D. C. Mrs. Marion H. Jackson, National President, presided.

The agenda included plans for program development and special projects consonant with the sorority's objectives of making business and economic progress important to the Negro's future.

The National Board, in recognition of current attempts to assure full citizenship to all people reaffirmed its faith in democracy by passing the following resolutions: to support legislation which extends opportunity for free expression and which safeguards the rights and freedoms of all people; to support legislative measures which extend full civil and human rights, and which makes equal educational and employment opportunities available to all citizens without discrimination as to race, creed, color or national origin.

The Board also adopted "Meeting the Challenges of a Changing Society" as its theme for the 1957 Convention, which meets in New Orleans, Louisiana August 10-14th.

Many courtesies were extended Board members during their stay in the city. A "Fellowship Hour" with members of Alpha Gamma, Kappa and Gamma chapters; a tour of embassies and attendance at several receptions were among the many social activities enjoyed by the visitors.

Members attending the Board meeting were:

Lola M. Parker, Founder, President-Emeritus, Chicago, Illinois; Marion H. Jackson, National President, Washington, D. C.; Florence M. Hill, First Vice-President, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Ethel K. Greene, Second Vice President, Washington, D. C.; Alva Williams, Secretary, Chicago, Illinois; Charlie Mae Jones, Treasurer, Toledo, Ohio; A. Lucille Reynolds, Director of Education, Los Angeles, California; Zenobia Terry, Dean of Pledgees Atlanta, Georgia; Dellgratia D. Allen, Journalist, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Bessie Coston, Northern Regional Director, Youngstown, Ohio; Evelyn D. Wilkey, Eastern Regional Director, Baltimore, Maryland; Ossie W. Mitchell, Southern Regional Director, Birmingham, Alabama; Maeme R. Brock, Western Regional Director, Louisville, Kentucky; Alvernon, Far Western Regional Director, Sacramento, California. Mrs. Alice P. Allen, Chairman National Projects, Birmingham, Alabama; Montrosa R. Frazier, Chairman Constitution Committee and Anna J. Steen, Legislative Chairman, Washington, D. C.

IOTA PHI LAMBDA ENDS N' ORLEANS CONCLAVE

Daily World Thurs. 8-22-57 P.3

Atlanta, Ga.

NEW ORLEANS — (ANP) — At their formal closed banquet Wednesday night, members of Iota Phi Lambda sorority gathered from throughout the land repeated the mizpah which officially closed their national convention here. Their meetings started Saturday at Mt. Zion Methodist Church.

The entertaining chapters were Alpha Rho, New Orleans and Beta Theta Baton Rouge, with Mrs. Lynn Morris and Mrs. Earnestine Searcy, respectively, presidents.

Mrs. Marion H. Jackson of Washington, D. C., national president, sounded the gavel on Saturday afternoon and prior to the session she held a press conference, arranged by Mrs. Lorraine J. Doyle, local chairman of publicity.

Others participating were: Mesdames Alice P. Allen national projects chairman; Ann Ivy, national publicity chairman; Mary Duncan, publicity committee; Miss A. Lucille Reynolds, director of education; Mesdames Florence Hill, 1st vice-president; Ethel Greene, 2nd vice-president, and Irene McCoy Gaines, Chicago Ill., president, National Association of Negro Women's Clubs.

MRS. GAINES HONORED

At Saturday's session, Mrs. Gaines was made a national honorary member. This honor was conferred by Mrs. Lola M. Parker of Chicago, president emeritus, who founded the sorority in 1929.

The following national officers were re-elected: Mrs. Marion H. Jackson, president; Mrs. Florence M. Hill, 1st vice president; Mrs. Ethel K. Greene, 2nd vice-president; Mrs. Alva S. Williams secretary; Mrs. Charles Mae Jones, treasurer; Mrs. Zenobia Terry, dean of pledges and Mr. Dellgratia D. Allen, journalist.

Others elected were Mrs. Ossie W. Mitchell, southern regional director; Miss A. Lucille Reynolds, director of education; Mrs. Bessie Coston, northern regional director; Mrs Maeme R. Brock, western regional director; Mrs. Alvernon V. Tripp far western regional director, and Mrs. Ethel F. Turner, southwestern regional director.

BANQUET INSTALLATION

Soror Alexandra B. Barry of Montclair, N. J., was elected Eastern regional director to succeed

Convention At Iota Phi Lambda New Orleans Closes On High Note

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By ANN L. IVY
National Pub. Chr.

Defender

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On Sunday morning, the group worshipped at Mt. Zion Methodist church with Rev. Robert D. Hill, pastor. That afternoon, at their public educational meeting, the members and their guests heard Dr. Samuella V. Totty, founder and director of Southern univercity's Division of Business.

One of the highlights of the pro-

gram was the announcement of the "Outstanding Business Woman of the Year" by Mrs. Allen. Mrs. R. Louise Grooms of Detroit, Mich., was the honoree. Mrs. Grooms, in 1941, organized the Detroit Institute of Commerce, a private school of business. She is active in the Michigan Business Education Association, the Michigan Business Schools Association, the National Business Teachers Association, the National Association and Council of Business Schools; and the Detroit Commercial Teachers club.

It is very fitting that Mrs. Grooms receive the sorority's outstanding business woman award, since the purpose of the sorority is to encourage young women to further their training in business education. Mrs. Reynolds presided at the meeting.

On Monday morning, the Past National Officers Council, Mrs. Anna J. Hughes, of Louisville, Kentucky, president, held its annual breakfast at Portia's Grill. At the same time other sorors were attending a coffee hour through the courtesy of Phil Delta Kappa Sorority.

During the mid-morning on Monday the National President was interviewed by Mr. Claude Evans on Channel 6 of WDSU-TV.

On Tuesday afternoon, Mrs. Anna Arnold Hedgeman of New York City, addressed the delegates on "Education and Social Problems."

Following this address, workshop panel was held on the Conference Theme: "Meeting the Challenges of a Changing Society."

Participants were: Mrs. Vivian M. Reece, leader, Mesdames Maggie Walker, Irene Jordan, Ethel Green, Thais Edwards, Allen, Ivy and Evelyn D. Willkey.

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HONORARY CITIZEN—Mrs. Marion H. Jackson, Washington, D. C., national president of the Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, receives a key to New Orleans and a certificate of honorary citizenship from acting Mayor Victor H. Schiro during the group's 28th annual convention in that city.—Celeste Photo.

PLANNING GROUP — Working out the details for the Study Center sponsored by Alpha Omicron Chapter of Phi Delta Kappa national sorority, Tampa, Fla., are (seated L. to R.) Sorors Minnie H. Wharton, Basileus. Loretta George, and Mary McCullough; (standing) Mr. DeForest LaVoy, Director of Special Educational Services, Soror George E. Williams, Mr. F. D. Miles, Director of Negro Education, and Soror Edith M. Chaney.

Phi Deltas Help Johnny To Read

TAMPA, Fla. — In line with the national program, the members of Alpha Omicron Chapter, National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa, Tampa, Florida, has opened a Child Study Center at Carver Elementary School, for pupils of normal intelligence who are having reading difficulty, thereby proving Johnny can read.

Teachers from the local schools refer the children to the center. There, various diagnostic tests are administered to help teachers and parents understand pupil difficulties and point out definate ways of overcoming these problems.

The Center includes a library room with lounge area for parents who accompany children to the Center, office space, and two sound proof testing rooms.

To enlarge the service of the Center, members of the sorority plan to hold a workshop to become efficient in the operation of instruments, and the use of diagnostic and remedial devices. All this work with pupils and the remedial reading program is done on a voluntary basis.

Mrs. Eva L. Pride is Reading Consultant in charge of the Center. Mrs. Minnie H. Wharton heads the local chapter.

Other chapters of the National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa have active Reading Clinics in operation. The first was set up in Brooklyn, N.Y., sponsored by Theta chapter; another in Birmingham, Alabama, sponsored by Nu chapter.

Dr. Helen Edmonds Slated To Speak Here October 6

Beta Beta Chapter of the National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa is presenting Dr. Helen G. Edmonds, graduate professor of history at North Carolina College at Durham and director of research for the "Life and Times of Dr. James E. Shepard" under the auspicies of a grant-in-aid, Carnegie Foundation for Research, Sunday, Oct. 6, at Alabama State College.

Dr. Edmonds is a native of Lawrenceville, Va. She attended St. Paul Normal School in her hometown; received a bachelor of arts degree from Morgan College, Baltimore, Md.; and both master of arts and doctor of philosophy degrees from Ohio State University, Columbus. She attended the 30th annual Session of the Bread Loaf Writer's Conference (Middlebury College, Vermont) in 1955 as a contributor.

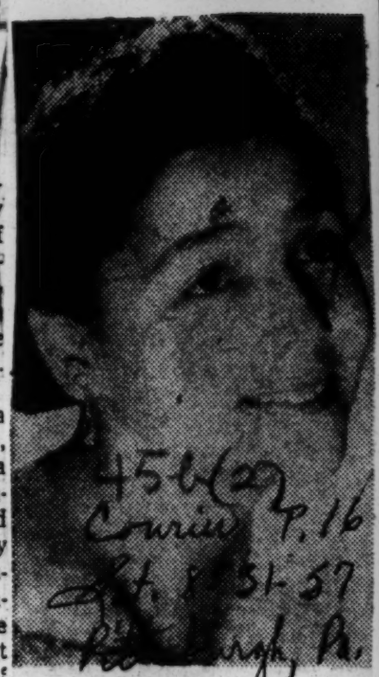
Dr. Edmonds chose the field of history as her academic interst and has taught the same at various institutions for a number of years. She served as dean of women and professor of Greek and Latin at Virginia Theological Seminary and College, Lynchburg; taught history and English at St. Paul Norman School; served as consultant in the Virginia State Department of Education; and formerly was director of dramatic art at North Carolina College where she now serves as graduate professor of history.

She chose as the subject of her first monograph: "A Half Century of Negro Education in Virginia under the Influence of the Episcopal Church" in which is traced the attitude of the Episcopal Church toward the Negro Education in Virginia from the Reconstruction through 1938, with special emphasis upon the Negro School in Virginia supported by the Protestant Episcopal Church. From this monograph came the pageant which celebrated the Golden Jubilee of St. Paul Normal School in 1938, titled: "An Adventure in Faith," a work in which she served as the chief collaborator.

At North Carolina College she wrote, directed and produced on a larger scale, "The Life of Dr. James Shephard and the History of North Carolina College for Negroes." This production officially celebrated the 36th anniversary of the college. Her labors in this effort have been rewarded by a special grant-in-aid from the Carnegie Foundation with which to write the "Life and Times of Dr. James E. Shepard."

The December bulletin of Delta Sigma Sorority published in 1938, her article "Contemporary Russia Through the Eyes of the Dramatists," a work which illustrated the fusion of Communist history and Communist drama as an instrument in selling Russia's Communist ideology to her people. She is author of the unpublished, but completed, manuscript, "History of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc."

In 1951, the writer witnessed her major work published. The book is titled "The Negro and Fusion Politics in North Carolina, 1894-1901," the University of North Carolina Press, Chapel Hill, June, 1951. She also interpreted a phase of the political history of North Carolina.



DR. HELEN EDMONDS

History Professor Dr. Helen G. Edmonds, North Carolina College, Durham, will be presented here, Sunday, Oct. 8.

IN THE NEWS — Marion Downs, concert artist, Pasadena teacher, has just been elected to Kappa Delta Pi, national graduate honor fraternity at Columbia University, New York City, where she is matriculating this summer. Mrs. Downs has just had published two of her folk arrangements in the new edition of "Singing Juniors," a collection of junior high songs published by Ginn and Company.

Future Teachers Receive Scholarships From PDK

Courier Pittsburgh, Pa.
Sat. 10-5-57

Mrs. Emmadean Boyette, national program director of national sorority of Phi Delta Kappa, composed of teachers has just announced the results of the sorority's twentieth annual national scholarship contest. There were 326 high school girl graduates participating this year. A total of more than $6,500 in scholarships will be awarded.

Heading the list is Miss Grace Louise Smith, Birmingham, Ala., who will enter Miles College at Birmingham. A close second is Miss Kathleen Nilsen, New York City, who will enter City College at New York City. Miss Donna May Chenoweth, Gary, Ind., was third. She has chosen Albion College, Albion, Mich.

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EACH ONE of the girls will be awarded $1,000 and a merit certificate for scholarship from Phi Deltas.

The program director announced the presentation of local scholarships by 44 of the sorority's chapters to the highest ranking candidates in their respective communities.

In addition to these the sorority will renew awards to the 1954 winner, Miss Barbara Jean Cash, Indianapolis, Ind.; 1955 winners Miss Sylvia A. Taylor, Chicago, Ill., and Miss Gladys M. Pritchett, Birmingham, Ala., and Susie P. White, Birmingham, Ala.; Nancy Jean Koontz, Washington, D. C., and Rachel Beth Max, Indianapolis, Ind., all 1956 winners.

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SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS — Phi Delta Kappa scholarship winners for this year include, left to right: Miss Dona May Chenowek, Gary, Ind.; Miss Kathleen Nilsen, New York City, and Miss Grace Smith, Birmingham, Ala.

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Chicago, Ill.

REGIONAL DIRECTORS of the national sorority of Phi Delta Kappa pose together at the recent conclave of the group held in Miami, Fla. These leaders in the sisterhood of teachers includes Mrs. Helen W. Maxwell of the Eastern region; Mrs. Hellyn B. Johns, Southern, and Mrs. Rosetta D. Elliot, of the mid-

CITATION GIVEN — Mrs. Hellyn B. Jones, right, Southern regional director of Phi Delta Kappa Sorority, presents a citation awarded posthumously to Dr. Charles S. Johnson, late Fisk University president. Mrs. Johnson accepts the award for her late husband. The ceremony took place in Nashville, Tenn.

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SEVEN OF EIGHT founders of the National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa, which will celebrate the 34th anniversary this month, are still residing in New Jersey where the organization took place. They are shown above, left to right, standing: Mrs. Ella W. Butler, Miss Marguerite Gross, Mrs. Mildred M. Williams; seated: Mrs. Gladys C. Nunery, Mrs. Julia A. Barnes, Mrs. Gladys M. Ross and Mrs. Florence S. Hunt. The sorority's membership is made up of women in the field of education.

PHI DELTA KAPPA FOUNDERS will celebrate, with their members, the 34th anniversary of the group, which now numbers 60 chapters throughout the country. Pictured here, seated, are Mmes. Gladys C. Nunery, Julia A. Barn[illegible] Gladys M. Ross and Florence Hunt. Standing: Mmes. Mildred Williams, Ella Butler and Miss Marguerite Gross. All live in New Jersey where the organization was founded in 1923. These seven and the late Edna McConnell make up the founders' group.

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PHI DELTA KAPPA SORORITY

Phi Deltas Convene in Miami

Jersey Delegates—Delegates from New Jersey chapters were among the early arrivals at the Sir John Hotel, Miami, headquarters of the Phi Delta Kappa Sorority National Convention. Included in the group are Rachel McNeil, Camden, N. J.; Helen C. Hoxter, Amaza M. Lockett, Julia Goins and Alethia B. Ward, all of Atlantic City.

Press Conference—Mrs. Mayola Senior, Toledo, Ohio, national director of public relations of the Phi Delta Kappa Sorority, was plied with questions by members of the press during a conference prior to the opening of the National Convention of the sorority. Dorothy Journey, women's editor of the Miami Herald; Elnor Ostergard, the Miami Herald, and Louise Blanchard of the Miami Daily News are shown interviewing Mrs. Senior.

Phi Deltas Honor Late Fisk Head

By ALBERT J. DUNMORE

MIAMI, Fla.—The late Dr. Charles S. Johnson was honored posthumously by the Phi Delta Kappa sorority at its 33rd Anniversary Conclave held in Miami.

Dr. Johnson, who at his death was President of Fisk University, was honored for "leadership in establishment of human equality," as one of five honorees at the Public Meeting held Sunday afternoon at the St. John's Institutional Baptist Church.

Other honorees were Dr. Phillip J. Hickey, Superintendent of Instruction, St. Louis, Mo., Public Schools, "for progress in Total Desegregation of Public Education"; Dr. Martin Luther King, Montgomery, Alabama, for "Leadership in Removing Segregation in Public Transportation," and Mrs. Alease Gill, principal, Miami, Fla., for "Dedication to the Training of Youth."

MRS. MALVINA Liebman, Director of Elementary Education, Dade County, was the principal speaker at the public meeting.

More than 500 delegates and visitors were in attendance at the four-day conclave of the educational sorority composed of over 2,000 women actively engaged in the teaching profession, in supervisory and administrative positions.

Mrs. Marion H. Bluitt of Washington, D. C., is the Supreme Basileus.

Greetings!—Mrs. Marion Bluitt, Supreme Basileus of Phi Delta Kappa Sorority, is shown being greeted as she arrives in Miami to preside over the 33rd national conclave of the educational sorority.

We Must Learn to Lead Says Negro Teenage Panel

Herald Tues. 1-1-57 Miami, Fla.

By ELEANOR OSTERGAARD
Herald Staff Writer

"We don't want to follow in the same old footsteps. We need to learn how to lead."

The speaker was a Negro teenager, one of a panel of four who told delegates to the Phi Delta Kappa sorority convention what they would like to have in this world and what they thought they had to offer.

According to the panelists, this is what youth wants:

1. Teachers who will discover and develop their abilities.
2. More community centers for recreation and healthy social activities.
3. Equal opportunities in education — and funds for college study.
4. Parents and teachers who will guide them, stand by them, and most important, set a good example.

On the other hand, this is what panelists said youth has to offer:

1. "The greatest gift we can promise," said a sophomore, "is to carry on the great heritage we have."
2. "We can see the problems and needs and we can put the needs into action."
3. "We will get our education and come back to the community and use it.
4. "We have the brains and capacity. We want to use what we have.

Supplementing the panelists were consultants — a high school guidance counselor, a YMCA leader, a PTA leader, and the panel moderator, Miss Marie Roberts of Booker T. Washington High School, where the meeting was held Monday.

During the closing session of the four day conclave, national officers were installed. Mrs. Marion H. Bluitt was re-elected national president.

In addition to setting up a "defense fund" for teachers who lose their jobs under "questionable" circumstances during integration, the group, an honorary education sorority, voted to try to find new jobs for these teachers through the sorority.

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THREE FOUNDERS, Mesdames Julia Barnes, Gladys M. Ross and Gladys Nunery, were in Miami, Fla., recently, for the 33rd conclave of the National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa.

Phi Delta Kappas cite three for leadership in humanities

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MIAMI, Fla. — Phi Delta Kappas, meeting in their 33rd annual conclave, here, recently, made citations to four educators.

The citations, made at the open meeting in St. John's Institutional Baptist Church, went to:

Dr. Phillip J. Hickey, superintendent of instruction, St. Louis, Mo., for progress in total desegregation of public education; Dr. Charles Spurgeon Johnson (posthumously), president of Fisk University, Nashville, Tenn., for leadership in establishment of human equality; Dr. Martin Luther King, president, Montgomery, Alabama Improvement Association, for leadership in removing segregation in public transportation; and Mrs. Alese King Gill, principal of Liberty City Elementary School, for dedication to the trainiing of youth.

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MRS. MARION H. BLUITT, national president of the teachers' sorority, speaking at the opening meeting Friday, said: "Assuming that colored children are inferior scholastically, then we should see that achievement standards are raised, we should institute tutoring programs and prepare our teachers better, and if it is true that some colored students entering college can not pass entrance exams, let the sorority set up an orientation program on how to take tests."

All the national officers were returned to office except for the expired term of the supreme tamiochos, to which Mrs. Emma D. Anderson of Chester, Pa. was elected, and a new southern member-at-large, Mrs. Ernestine Black Tillman of New Orleans, La.

West Chester Teachers College is the meeting place of the 1957 conclave.

500 Educators Attend Phi Delta Kappa Conclave

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MIAMI, Fla. — Over 500 educators attended the 33rd Conclave of the National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa meeting in Miami Dec. 27-31. Booker T. Washington high school was the setting for the large and comprehensive exhibitions on display in the school's library. This was open to the public. The student council members acted as guides and assisted Alpha Delta chapter play hostess to the visitors representing 55 chapters.

The directorate met December 27 at Sir John hotel previous to the first session of the conclave proper. Following the executive committee meeting, the program director, Mrs. Emmadean Boyette of Detroit, journeyed to Pratt General hospital, Coral Gables with several officers to distribute the several hundred kits prepared by the sorority's chapters for the veterans there.

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MRS. MARION H. Bluitt, national president, spoke at the opening meeting.

Reports were made on the sorority's remedial reading clinics, handicapped children's clinics, teacher recruitment programs, guidance clubs, scholarships, and the Phi Deltas children's reading room in Monrovia, Liberia, West Africa.

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HONOREES receiving citations at the open meeting included Dr. Phillip J. Hickel, superintendent of instruction, St. Louis, Missouri, for progress in total desegregation of public education; Dr. Charles Spurgeon Johnson (Posthumously), president of Fisk University, Nashville, Tenn., for leadership in establishment of human equality; Dr. Martin Luther King, president, Ala. Improvement Association, for leadership in removing segregation in public transportation; and Mrs. Alese King Gill, principal of Liberty City Elementary school, for dedication to the training of youth.

Courtesies were extended the visitors by the Deltas, AKA's Zetas, Alphas, Omegas, Kappas, Links, Sigma Gamma Rho, Chi Eta Phi and many other oranizations. The Phi Beta Sigmas and Phi Deltas held a joint formal dance.

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West Chester Teachers College is the meeting place of the 1957 conclave. The theme chosen for this year is, "Building Youthful Leadership in a Changing World."

Grambling Afro-American dean initiated Sat. 7-27-57 into sorority Baltimore, Md.

- GRAMBLING, La. (Special —Mrs. Virginia Harris, dean of women at Grambling College was initiated into Pi Lambda Theta, National Honor and Professional Association for Women in Education, in May of this year.

The invitation was extended upon the recommendations of Professors of the faculty of the University of Southern California at Los Angeles. This, however, was the second time that the invitation was extended.

Dean Harris was unable to accept an earlier invitation because of illness.

Mrs. Harris came to her present position as dean of Women of Grambling College in 1953 after having served as critic teacher at the College for 10 years. Her abounding energy allows her to devote considerable time to religious and civic organizations including a missionary society, Sunday School, and the Grambling Town Council.

Dean Harris received the B.S. degree from Grambling College in 1944, the M.A. degree in education from the University of Southern California at Los Angeles in 1956. She has studied also at the University of Michigan.

Sigma speaker praises colored America, cites fuller goals

By MARY STRATFORD
WASHINGTON

"The colored American is the most 'American' group in the nation, with the exception of the Indian."

Paying tribute to the minority group was Mrs. Anna Arnold Hedgeman, administrative assistant to the mayor of New York City, in an address at Howard University, Thursday night.

MRS. HEDGEMAN was guest speaker during the 24th annual boule of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority which attracted approximately 250 delegates to the sessions.

Speaking on the subject "Accepting the Challenge of the Present Day," which was the boule theme, Mrs. Hedgeman commended the colored man's history and leaders.

SHE ASSERTED that the race has helped build America, was the major instrument which gave the country its first unity, and has continously tried to obtain equal educational opportunities.

Mrs. Hedgeman reminded the audience that as the struggle against segregation continues the colored man has increased responsibilities in the community.

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SHE ASKED the sorors to review their local communities and determine whether minority group children:

Know how remarkable their leadership has been through the years; know the names and backgrounds of their leaders of the past and present; understand the quality and importance of the struggle for freedom; are growing up to be healthy citizens; receiving their educational needs.

She stated that representatives of every profession should meet to plan for the community, and that representation should be obtained on the chambers of commerce and real estate boards.

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MRS. HEDGEMAN also urged the group to want integration badly enough to work for it, and to remember that it is a two-way street.

She asked understanding of white men's fears and also of those of the colored man.

The speaker stated that friendship between white and colored should be expanded.

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ANOTHER issue raised by Mrs. Hedgeman was the lack of opportunity in the radio and TV area.

"We should make an effort to see that radio and TV give us something in addition to the Amos and Andy, Rochester, Porgy and Bess, Rock and Roll and cheap so-called religious music," she said.

"There are no members of our race who are news commentators or part of plays and productions on a continuing basis," she pointed out.

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MRS. HEDGEMAN'S speech was the highligh' of the second day of the boule. Other features of the week were a banquet, and a formal dance. Headquarters for the sessions was the Willard Hotel.

Hostesses to the boule were Phi Sigma, the local alumni chapter; Alpha Phi chapter (Howard University) and Beta chapter (D. C. Teachers College)

Sigma Gamma Rho contributes annually approximately $10,000 in scholarships to deserving students. It is comprised of about 125 chapters throughout the United States.

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AMONG outstanding Sigma women in attendance were Mrs. Edna Douglas, Little Rock, Ark., grand basileus; Dr. Alma C. Illery, Pittsburgh, Pa., honorary member of the organization who is also founder of Camp Achievement for underprivileged children to which Sigma donates $1,000 yearly;

Mrs. Hattie Redford, one of the founders of Sigma, from Indianapolis, Ind. who is also grand treasurer and a public school teacher in her community;

Mrs. Bertha Black Rhoda, past grand basileus, who is presently serving as grand first antibasileus, of St. Louis. A school teacher, Mrs. Rhoda, of St. Louis, Mo. is also on the board of the National Pan - Hellenic Council;

Mrs. Ruby Watts, editor of the house organ, "Aurora," former national organizer for the sorority, public school teacher and society writer who is also president of ACHR; and Mrs. Edna F. Browne, of the local almuni chapter, who is director of the Sigma guidance clinic held annually in the District since 1948.

DELEGATES at the convention included:

Allean C. Gatson, Charlotte, N.C.; Thelma Harris, D.C.; Vivian Harris, Detroit, Mich.; Virginia Hillen, Ella Mae House, D.C.; Eugenia Jackson, Chicago; Edith Jackson and Florence Laffoon, of D.C.; Bernice Logan, of Portsmouth, Va.;

Naomi S. Mason, Lynchburg, Ala.; Velma L. Mark, Birmingham, ala.; Frances Mays, St. Louis, Mo.; Julia Medley, Baltimore, Md.. Perry Patterson, St. Louis, Mo.; Annie Phelphs, D.C.; Letona K. Ross, San Antonio, Tex.;

Nellye Russell, Indianapolis, Ind.; Edna Russell, Baltimore, Md.; Alice Stanley, Detroit, Mich.; Valdora Thompson, Little Rock, Ark.; Grace Washington, Cleveland, Ohio;

Marguerite A. Watkins, Newport News, Va.; Clara Watts, D.C.; Thelma Whitehead, Gary, Ind.; Sarah Williams. Little Rock, Ark.; Willie Woods, Cleveland, Ohio; Ella McSowell, D.C.; Mary G. Allen, Lynchburg, Va.; Dorothy Alexander, Bailsey Park, N.Y.; Florence C. Anthony, Indianapolis, Ind.; Esther Allen, D.C.; Pauline Askie, Anna Belt, D.C.; Nazarine Brown, Tallahassee, Fla.; Mary Brown, D.C.; Viola G. Brown, Winston-Salem, N.C.; Ruth Booker, D.C.; Pauline Butler, Baltimore;

Bessie L. Benjamin, Houston, Tex.; Reba Brailsford, Baltimore, Md.; Ida Bell Brown, Ft. Worth, Tex.; Blanche Vessels, D.C.; Arlene W. Clinscale, Richmond; Harriet Chester, Clefeland, Ohio;

Elizabeth Cobbins, Lynchburg, Va.; Jessye L. Coleman, Cleveland, Ohio; Irene L. Dickers, Raleigh, N.C.; Naomi Downing, D.C.; Lottie H. Fennell, Lynchburg, Va.; Elizabeth Diggs, Baltimore, Md.; A. P. Dendy, Inman, S.C.; Hortense Franklin, Baltimore, Md.;

Robnette V. Grandelson, Richmond, Va.; Odessa J. Gray, Richmond, Va.; Gladys Greene, and Cynthia Hall, D.C.; Thelma D. Hall, Daytona Beach, Fla.; Gwendolyn F. Henderson, Richmond, Va.; Ruby Herndon, Lynchburg, Va.; Cleio S. Higgins, Palatka, Fla.; Ollie G. Henry, Lynchburg, Va.; Alma Illery, Pennsylvania; Lydia M. Jetton and Pearl W. Jones, D.C.; Luela D. Jones, Lynchburg, Va.; Charmaine V. Keips, Gloria E. Keyes, D.C.;

Aray B. Laws, Baltimore; Dorothy S. Meade and Naomi Mason, Lynchburg, Va.; Helena G. McKim, Columbia, S.C.; Mayme Mehlinger, Ruth Hankins Nesbitt, Ruth Parham, D.C.;

Myrtle E. Parker, New York City; Mary M. Pulley, Lynchburg, Va.; Almita S. Robinson, Ft. Worth, Tex.; Carolyn Robinson, Baltimore, Md.; Esther Robinson, Allene Renwick and Hattie Robinson, D.C.; Nena Scales, Chicago; Sadie Sears, Richmond, Va.;

Delphia M. Slaughter, Lynchburg, Va.; Lynda Small, Bronx, N.Y.; Thelma Speed, Portsmouth, Va.; Helen C. Thomas, Newport News, Va.; Mary A. Thomas, Wilhemina Thomas, D.C.; Susie D. Thomas, Chicago, Ill.; Patricia Ann Trivers, D.C.; Catherine Tucker, Baltimore, Md.; Reba de Shields, Wilmington, Del.; Jennie M. Walburo, D.C.; Viola Whitfield, Cleveland, Ohio;

Marie Adams, Memphis, Tenn.; Eunice Atkinson, St. Louis, Mo.; Lillian Atchison, St. Louis, Mo.; Gladys Barksdale, Greenville, S.C.;

Alberta E. Barry, Louisville, Ky.; Elizabeth M. Blackman, Columbia, S.C.;

Ella Bohannon, Winston-Salem, N.C.; Ethelyn Bray, Montgomery, Ala.; Louse Brinkley, Wilmington, Del.; Mary Brooks, Memphis, Tenn.; Bessie L. Brown, Spartanburg, S.C.; Conchita A. Brown, Chicago, Ill.;

Edna F. Browne, D.C.; Hazel Brown, St. Louis, Mo.; Lillian Buckner, Detroit, Mich.; Zeioda K. Byrd, Overton, Ter.; Jeannette Carr, Memphis, Tenn.; Mary C. Carr, Beaumont, Ter.; Kathryn Chovers, Cleveland, Ohio; Clementine Clark, Blue Island, Ill.;

Joyce Clark, Chicago, Ill.; Naomi G. Coulter, Little Rock, Ark.; Emily H. Cralle, Baltimore; Edith Cristalou, Philadelphia, Penn.; Annie J. Davidson, Charlotte, N.C.; A. O. Davis, Baton Rouge, La.; Anne Dees, St. Louis, Mr.; Fannie Dobbins, Jackson, Tenn.;

Johnnie L. Driver, Nashville, Tenn.; Angelene Elliott, Fayetteville, N.C.; Georgianna Ellison, Indianapolis, Ind.; Carolyn A. Favors, Tampa, Fla.; Genevieve Fisher, St. Louis, Mo.;

Rosa M. Ford, Memphis, Tenn.; Ellen H. Foster, Shreveport, La.; Cleora W. Frazier, Bakersfield, Cal.; Frances Frazier, New York City; Evelyn G. Freeman, Pine Bluff, Ark.; Blanche Gavin, Tallahassee, Fla.;

Ruth E. Gee, Galveston, Tex.; Gladys Godwin, St. Louis, Mo.; Lois Goode, Omaha, Neb.; Ione Gorham, Alton, Ill.; Eloise Grffin, St. Louis, Mo.; Gloria W. Hadley, Chicago, Ill.; Mildred M. Hall, Indianapolis, Ind.;

Elizabeth D. Hamilton, Little Rock, Ar.; Alva C. Harris, Birm-Rock, Ark.; Alva C. Harris, Detroit, Mich.; Emma K. Hill, Houston, Tex.; Katherine Hogan, Baltimore, Md.; Annie Bill Howard, Houston, Tex.; Darlene Hutson, Jackson, Tenn.; Anna Mae Jackson, Dallas, Tex.;

Eslette Jenkins, Hattiesburg, Miss.; Eunice Johnson, D.C.; Gertrude Johnson, Cleveland, Ohio; Lauretta C. Johnson, Shreveport, La.; Allene V. Jones, Miami, Fla.; Sylvia Jones, D.C.; Dorothy E. Kennedy, D.C.; J. Beatrice Keys, Daytona Beach, Fla.; Alice M. Kinchion, Austin, Tex.;

Rose Kinney, Baltimore, Md.; Ann Lane, Chicago, Ill.; Louise S. Lassiter, Rocky Mountain, N.C.; Vivian Lewis, Newport News, Va.; Altemase Little, Lake Wells, Fla.; Iola McDonald, Little Rock, Ark.; Adina B. McNau, D.C.;

Bettie M. Meredith, Ft. Worth, Tex.; Lizzie W. Miller, Port Arthur, Tex.; Edith Murray, Atlanta, Ga.; E. Allyne Perkins, Pine Bluff, Ark.; Augustus Pettie, Savannah, Ga.; Martina Pinkney, D.C.; Ritta H. Porter, Memphis, Tenn.; Virgie P. M. Smith, Los Angeles, Cal.;

Maude T. Randall, Newport News, Va.; Alice Reffells, Chicago, Ill.; Mazari Reynolds, San Diego, Cal.; Virgie C. Reynolds, Houston, Tex.; Willie Y. Richardson, San Antonio, Tex.; Lillie M. Ricks, Tallahassee, Fla.;

Flossie Robinson, Detroit, Mich.; Charles P. Roland, Memphis, Tenn.; Mary Somerville, Cleveland, Ohio, Narva Snoddy, Longview, Tex.; Catherine Stewart, E. St. Louis, Ill.; Essie M. Stewart, Bradenton, Fla.;

Lula H. Stewart, Lynchburg, Va.; Ruby Tatum, Atlanta, Ga.; Josie Taylor, Houston, Tex.; Vida Taylor, San Antonio, Tex.; Hattie A. Tears, Nashville, Tenn.; Magdalena Thomas, Cleveland, Ohio; Maude A. Thomas, Daytona Beach, Fla.;

Courtney H. Thompson, Louisville, Ky.; Margaret A. Thornton, Columbus, S.C.; Elaine Wade, Jackson, Tenn.; Ida Washington, Baltimore, Md.; Alma West, Bronx, N.Y.; Ruth W. Whitworth, Enfield, N.C.; Florence Wilkinson, Chicago, Ill.; Lillie E. Williams, Austin, Tex.; Lorraine A. Williams, Washington, D.C.; Versia L. Williams, Ft. Worth, Tex.;

Lucille B. Wilson, Houston, Tex.; Emily P. Winstead, Roxboro, N.C.; Mildred Works, Little Rock, Ark.; Caldonia D. Young, McKinney, Tex.; Edna Douglas, Little Rock, Ark.; Bertha Rhoda, St. Louis, Mo.; Winfred Jones, Atlanta, Ga.; Beatrice W. Fox, Cleveland, Ohio; Effie Allen, Indianapolis, Ind.;

Hattie Mae Redord, Indianapolis, Ind.; Marian Poe, Newport News, Va.; Henri Mae Miller, Gary, Ind; Rubye Watts, St. Louis, Mo.; Lessie Crossland, Los Angeles, Cal.; Louise Lyerse, E. St. Louis, Ill.; Alma Hawkins, D.C.; Myrtle Russell, Nashville, Tenn.; Johnny J. Rice, Austin, Tex.; Ruby M. McCoy, Little Rock, Ark.; Juanita Simpson, Sylvia H. Wade, Richmond, Va.; Mattie Walker, Memphis, Tenn.; Claudia Whitmore, Los Angeles, Cal.; Leanora Yansey, Cleveland, Ohio;

Sarah Banks, Baltimore, Md.; Vivian Benedict. Indianapolis, Ind.; Ruby Burton, Detroit, Mich.; Ollie Brown, St. Louis, Mo.; Harriett Brady, Chicago, Ill.; Althea Cavanaugh, Cleveland, Ohio; Evelyn Chase, D.C.;

Abbie Cavanaugh, Cleveland, Ohio; Evelyn Chase, D.C.; Abbie Corbette, Philadelphia, Penn.; Mary L. Divers, Daytona Beach, Fla.; Lena Eddington, Little Rock, Ark.; Pauline Eugand, St. Louis, Mo.; Rose M. Evans, Overton, Tex.

Sorority establishes funds for civil rights

WASHINGTON

The Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority voted to establish two funds to be used to further civil rights during its annual boule which ended Saturday in the District.

Sorors agreed to contribute monies to be equally distributed to those groups struggling for equality in Montgomery, Ala.; Birmingham, Ala.; and Tallahassee, Fla. The monies will serve as an emergency fund for these groups.

A SECOND fund was voted to be used during emergencies related to implementation of the Supreme Court's decision on integrated public schools.

The sorority also decided to place new emphasis on promotion of juvenile decency in recognition of the 97 percent of "fine young people of the country."

OFFICERS ELECTED at the boule were Dr. Lorraine Williams, of the District, grand first anti-basileus; Mrs. Eunice Atkinson, epistoleus, (historian); Mrs. Beatrice Fox, who succeeded herself as grand grammateus, and Mrs. Ruby G. Watts, St. Louis, re-elected editor of the house organ.

Outgoing officers were Mrs. Bertha Black Rhoda, St. Louis, Mo., grand first anti-basileus; and Mrs. Henry Miller, Gary, Ind., epistoleus.

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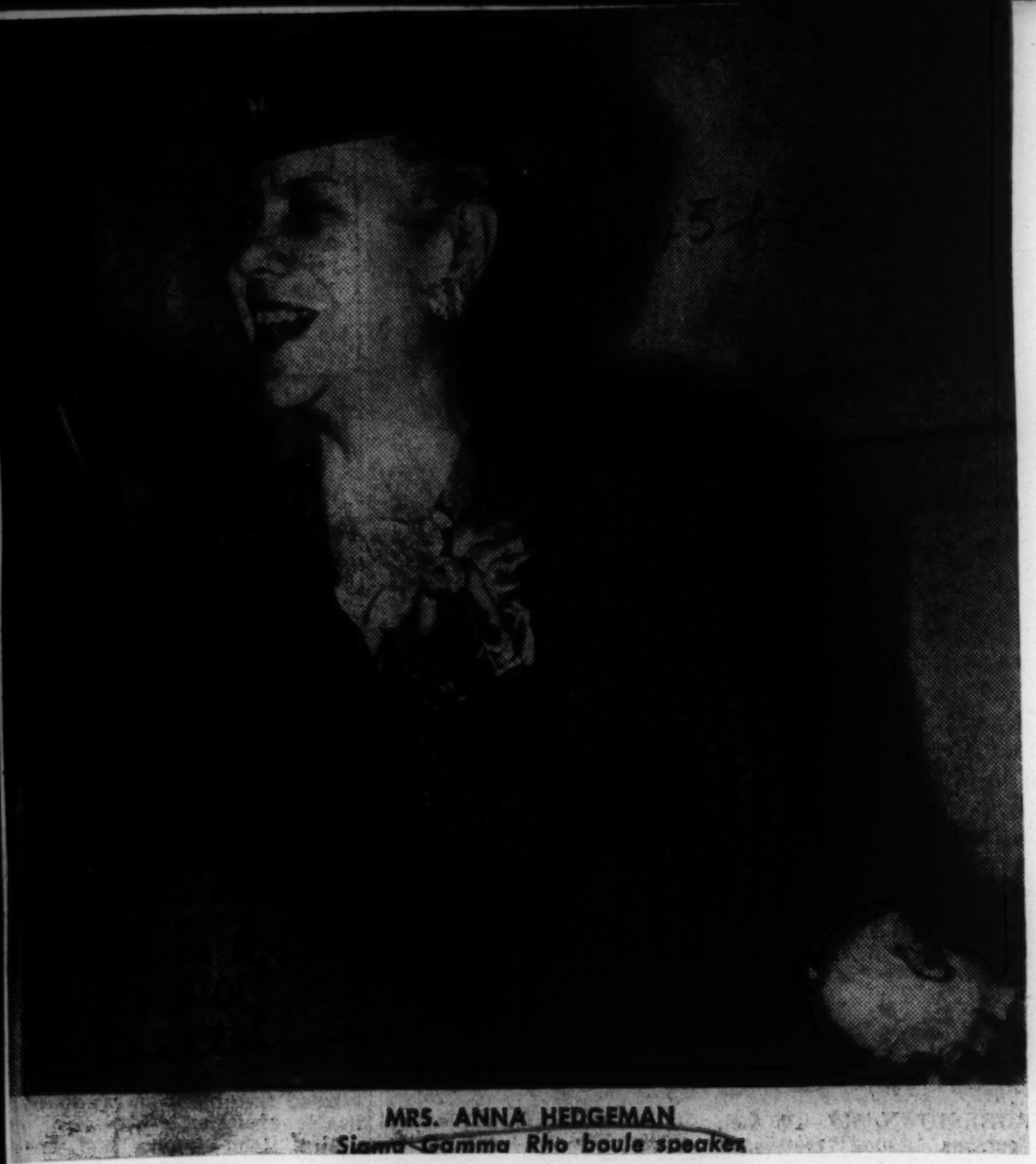
ELECTED AS regional syntakti were:

Mesdames Johnnie Rice, Austin, Tex., southeastern region; Leslie Crossland, Los Angeles, Cal., far western region, who also received the Blanche Edwards award for outstanding achievement; Pat Reynolds, far western region, and Cleo Higgins, southeastern region.

New board members are Mesdames Joyce Clarke, central region and Helen Harris, central region and Mrs. Reynolds.



MRS. ANNA HEDGEMAN
Sigma Gamma Rho boule speaker

Tau Gamma Delta Sorority To Convene in Chicago

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CHICAGO (ANP) — Members of Delta chapter of Tau Gamma Delta Sorority will host the 12th annual boule of the national sorority in Chicago, Aug. 5-11, at Wedgewood Towers Hotel.

Judge B. Fain Tucker, first woman criminal judge in Cook County, will be featured speaker at the public program Aug. 15 at International House on the University of Chicago campus.

Added features of the program will be the presentation of two music awards. Elizabeth Woods, high school student, will receive an award for excellence in music, and Verne Mitchell, also a student, will receive one on the local level from Delta chapter. Both awards will be presented by Caroline Dean of Detroit, supreme basileus.

Delegates are expected from all over the country to participate in this year's program, the theme of which is "Progress—Women's Objective in the Business World."

Josie Garth Barnes, public relations chairman, is handling arrangements for the public program. Judge Fain will be introduced by Alf[illegible]

Zetas to hear Dr. Partridge

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Louisvillians will be given an unusual opportunity to hear one of the nation's outstanding educators speak when Dr. Deborah Cannon Partridge, grand basileus of the Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, addresses a Public Forum of the Louisville Pan-Hellenic Council Sunday, February 17.

The forum will be held in the Plymouth Congregational Church, 17th and Chestnut Sts., at 4 p.m. The meeting will be jointly presented by Eta Omega graduate chapter of the Zeta Phi Beta Sorority and Epsilon Beta Sigma graduate chapter of the Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc.

Dr. Partridge, is at present a professor of Education at Queens College, Flushing, New York — and Lecturer at Teachers College, Columbia University. She holds a B.S. degree from N.J. State Teachers College and an M.A., and Ed.D., from Columbia University. She has done advanced study at Vassar College — and Post Doctoral study at the University of Pennsylvania, Union Theological Seminary and Jewish Theological Seminary of America.

Zeta "Finer Womanhood Week" opens Saturday

Eighteenth annual observance of Finer Womanhood Week by members of Zeta Phi Beta sorority will be officially opened Saturday when members gather at the home of Mrs. Audry Quarles, 1224 S. Gramercy, for a rededication service and dinner party. Chairman for the evening is Mrs. Thelma Pemberton.

Sunday, members, women previously honored during the week, Zeta Amicae, and nominees for "Finer Womanhood" honors this year will worship at the Church of Divine Guidance, 1518 Gramercy pl., according to chairman Mrs. Katherine Pierce.

A radio program featuring this year's nominee will be heard on station KFOX Sunday at [illegible] a.m., according to chairman Mrs. Dolores McAdoo.

At 3 p.m., Sunday, Zeta mothers and sponsors will honor past honorees at a tea, to be given at the Dalton avenue home of Mrs. Mary Dugan, Zeta mothers' president is Mrs. Clarkie Richardson.

A Juvenile Delinquency Presentation will be made to 102nd st. school, Wednesday to aid the free lunch program for the Spring semester. Chairman of the project is Mrs. Majorie Ellis.

A banquet honoring the Woman of the Year will be held at the Clarion Club, Saturday, Mar. 2. Chairman of the banquet committee is Mrs. Jean Keele.

The sorority's undergraduate chapter will present its "Girl of the Year" award at a tea at the USC YWCA Mar. 3.

Miss Mozella Beckles, a national officer on the undergraduate level, will participate in the "Girl of the Year" presentation.

Planning committee for the observance has announced the following nominees for the annual "Woman of the Year" award:

Mrs. Josie Baines, vice principal and a minister's wife, nominated by Delta Sigma Theta sorority; Dr. Vada Somerville, retired dentist, leading civic and professional worker, nominated by the Los Angeles chapter of the Links; Mrs. Mary King, teacher, minister's wife, active in youth work, church and civic organizations, nominated by Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority; Mrs. Yolanda Billingsley, president of National Council of Negro Women, nominated by the Council;

Mrs. Ruby Berkley Goodwin, writer, California Mother of the Year, 1955; movie, television, theatre actress, nominated by Hollywood Artist and Lecture Bureau, Mac Norton, manager, Beverly Hills.

Five Nominated For Zeta Woman Of the Year

LOS ANGELES—Five southland women, well-known for creditable work among various racial groups in the community, have been recommended for the Women of the Year Award, given annually by Zeta Phi Beta Sorority.

The sorority's planning committee will announce the winner during the group's annual Finer Womanhood Week observance, scheduled for this month.

Heading the nominees is Josie Baines, school vice principal. Others are Mary King, teacher; Yolanda Billingsley, president of the NCNW; Ruby Berkeley Goodwin, lecturer, and Dr. Vada Somerville, retired dentist.

AN HONORARY MEMBER was [illegible] into the Zeta Phi Beta sorority when the sorority pin was given he[illegible]y Dr. Deborah Partridge, grand basileus (left). The honoree is Dr. Deborah Elkins (center), a Queens college professor. Observing the ceremony which was held in N. Y. is Dr. Nancy McGhee, chairman of the national executive board.

Zetas Name Mrs. Snowden As Woman of the Year

BOSTON, Mass. Zeta Phi Beta sorors here chose Mrs. Muriel Snowden to be their woman of the year, during the observance of their annual Finer Womanhood Week.

Mrs. Snowden, a native of New Jersey, is the wife of Otto Phillip Snowden, and the mother of a daughter, Gail.

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A RADCLIFFE College graduate with a degree from the New York School of Social Work, she served as executive director of the Cambridge Civic Unity Committee for two years before the birth of Freedom House. Presently, she is associate director of Freedom House which she helped found.

A long list of impressive or-

MRS. MURIEL SNOWDEN

ganizations have welcomed her presence. Among them are the Mayor's Committee on Civic Improvement, Intergroup Relations Council, Links, Inc., and the Monday Lunch Club of women executives.

Looking In and Around Nashville, Tenn.

By Lucretia H. Davis

Pi Zeta Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority has named Mrs. Joseph Groves Holloway as "Zeta Woman of the Year."

A coffee hour in her honor will be held Sunday, March 31 at 5 P. M. in the Conference Room of the Martha M. Brown Memorial Library, Tennessee A. & I. State University.

The Sixth Career Conference staged at Tennessee State University in cooperation with the National and Local Urban Leagues was a huge success. C. Rodger Wilson, supervisor of Chicago's office of the Illinois State Employment Service was keynote speaker for the conference.

A. Maceo Walker Sr., president of Universal Life Insurance Company of

He was accompanied to the banquet by his daughter, Little Patricia Walker, a student at Fisk University. Mrs. Lois T. Caesar, concert pianist was guest artist at the banquet.

Dr. John Warren Davis, president emeritus of West Virginia State College, and now director, Talent Study, Phelps-Stokes Fund kept a capacity house spellbound as closing session speaker for the conference.

Some of the out-of-town consultants attending the sixth conference were Samuel W. Whitman, New York City; Lieut. Commander Dennis Nelson, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. Ora Higgins, Chicago; Louneer Pemberton, Chicago; Al Thompson, Atlanta; W. Burgess McCreary, Anderson, Ind.; Edward Davis, Detroit; Harry Cash and Roy Roddy, Memphis; Charles Bynum, New York City; Daniel Kean, Pittsburgh; Mrs. Grace Towns Hamilton (Dr. Myron Towns' sister), Atlanta, and others.

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THE CAREER conference consultants were feted wit'i cocktail parties, get-togethers, banquets and an at home with president and Mrs. W. S. Davis.

A cocktail party was given by Dr. and Mrs. W. L. Crump, following the Career Conference banquet.

Out-of-town guests were Jean Capers, Cleveland; Roger Wilson, Chicago; Jack LaFlore, Knoxville; L. Pemberton, Dayton; Al Thompson, Atlanta; Eleen Stewart, Washington, D. C.; Charles Bynum, New York City; Lieut. Commander Dennis Nelson, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. Lois T. Caesar, San Francisco; Mrs. Margaret Simms, Fisk University; Mrs. Ora Higgins, Chicago;

Mrs. I. H. Davis

A. Maceo Walker, Memphis, and Mr. and Mrs. John Hope, Fisk University.

"ZETA OF THE YEAR" is the coveted title won by Mrs. Ola G. McClain in observance of the Finer Womanhood Week celebrated by members of Delta Upsilon Zeta Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. Mrs. McClain was chosen for her outstanding contributions to the chapter. She is first Anti-Basileus of Delta Upsilon Zeta Chapter, a teacher at Kirk-Wilson Elementary school, member of the local YMCA, member of the Association for Childhood Education and the mother of three sons, two of which are in junior high and high school at Moore High school. Another son, Thomas, teaches in the public school system of Jasper, Texas. Mrs. Marguerite S. Bennett, Basileus of the chapter, presents Mrs. McClain with a gift. Looking on are Mrs. C. F. Cook (center) grandmother of Zetas "Baby of the Year," and Miss Verdene Kirven (left) chairman of the Blue Revue and Epistoleus of the chapter.

Zetas Name Local Femme 'Woman Of Year'

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C. — At a recent annual meeting at the Fayetteville State Teachers college, the Omega Beta chapter of the Zeta Phi Beta sorority, under the leadership of Evelyntyne Humphrey, junior of Roxboro, N. C., named Edna Fuller of Fayetteville, N. C., "Woman of the Year."

The speaker for the occasion was Phyllis O'Kelley, instructor at the Jane Porter Borrett school in Peeks, Virginia. She was introduced by May Rudd Williams, Basileus of the Gamma Upsilon Zeta chapter of the local Zeta Phi Beta sorority.

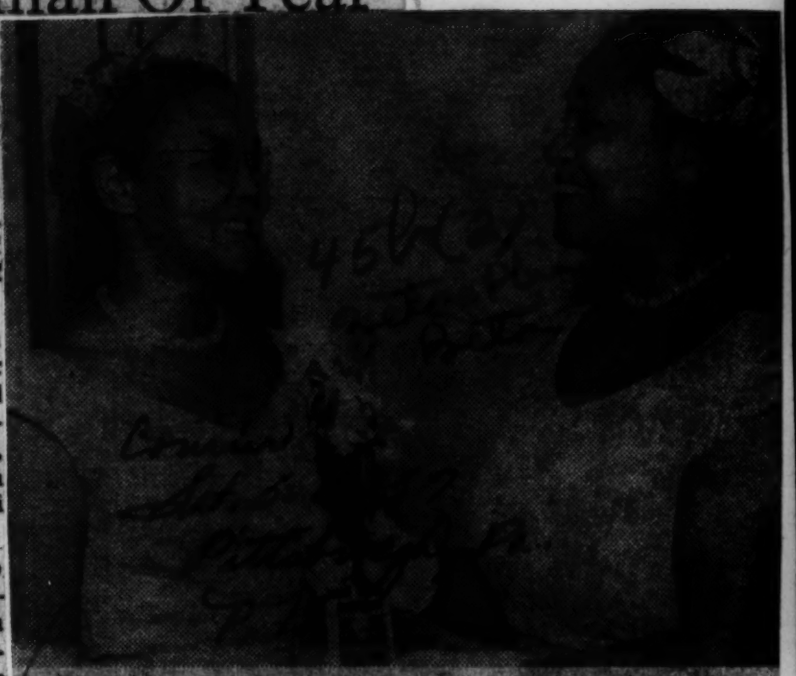
The plaque was presented to Mrs. Fullmer by Basileus Evelyntyne Humphrey of Omega Beta. Mrs. Fuller has the distinction of being the founder of the Fayetteville School for Exceptional Children.

Mrs. Fuller has always had an impulse for humanity. A mother of five children (one of them a minister), the wife of a minister, an ardent worker in the community and in the church, and a woman whose sympathies go out for those in need, Mrs. Fuller fully qualifies for the "Woman of the Year" in the Fayettevill community.

The Omega Beta sorority was organized in 1950 and now has a membership of 18 younng women. The present corps of officers are Evelyntyne Humphrey, junior of Roxboro, N. C., president; Florine Steadman, junior of Wade, N. C., vice president; Ruth McAllister, junior of Raeford, N. C., secretary; Bettye R. Allen, junior of Lillington, N. C., treasurer; Johnnie P. Murphy, junior of Godwin, N. C., journalist;

Margaret Evans and Mary Dunham, juniors of Fayetteville, N. C., representatives to the Student Council; Annie M. Hutchinson, sophomore of Bervar, N. C. and Rosa Foreman of Farmville, N. C., representatives to the Pan-Hellenic Council.

Lois P. Turner of the English dept. is the faculty adviser.



NAMED ZETA OF THE YEAR—Zeta of the year in Nashville, Tenn., was Mrs. Josephine Groves Holloway, who was feted at a coffee held in the Memorial Library at Tennessee State University. Mrs. Lillian Barbour, right, Basileus of Pi Zeta Chapter, made the presentation to Mrs. Holloway, who won fame is district director of the Girl Scout Council of Nashville and Davidson County.

Rights bill, NAACP aid urged by Zetas

Afro American

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(2) Resolve that our interest in juvenile delinquency be strengthened, placing greater emphasis on prevention. This has been a project of the Sorority for the past twenty years.

(3) That a program be initiated in cooperatiion with other civic minded groups for parent education to aid them and their children to make better adjustment in integrated schools.

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Zetas Pass Resolution Calling For Rights Law

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Made An Honorary Member Of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority

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Dr. Deborah Partridge, grand basileus of the sorority, left, is shown pinning the pin on Dr. Elkins, and looking on is Dr. Nancy McGhee, chairman of the Executive Board.

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